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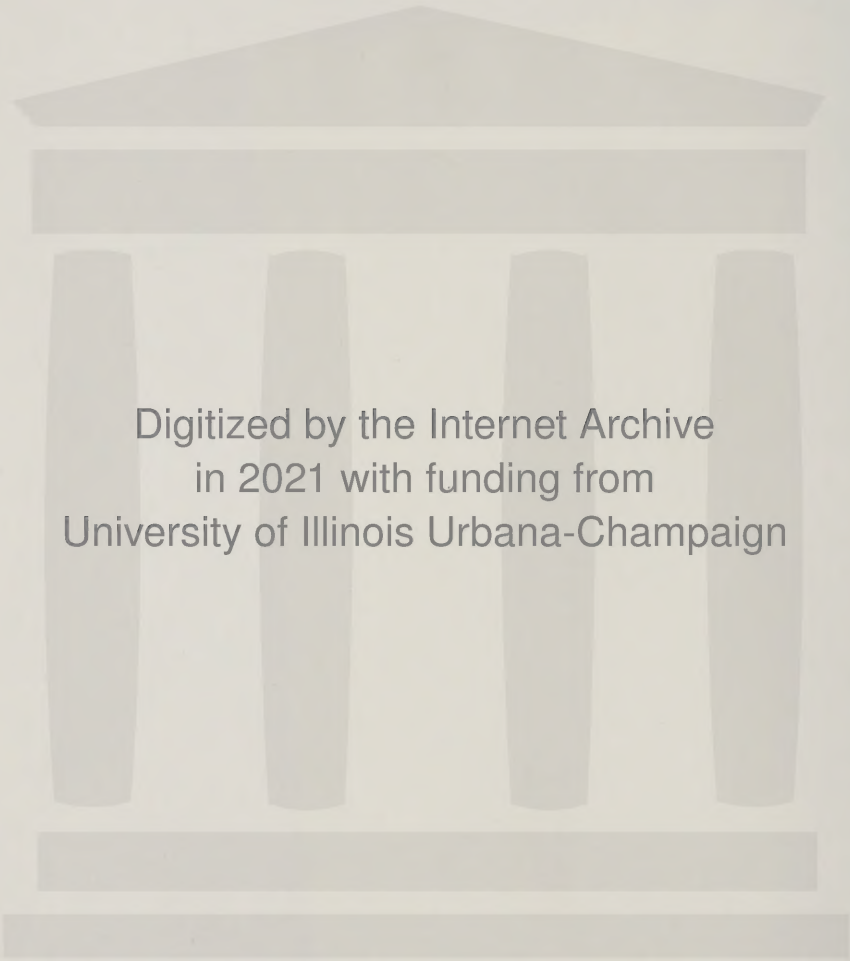
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PREFACE.

This Calendar, which covers the period from the 13th of February 1689 to the close of April 1690, opens with a letter from the Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Pollexfen and Sir Robert Atkins, dated at Whitehall, on February 13th, and inquiring, by the King's direction, "how the present "convention may best be turned into a parliament" (p. 1). Three days later an Order in Council deals with the alteration in the prayers for the Royal Family, consequent upon the accession of William and Mary, and directs that, besides the King and Queen, prayer shall be made for "Catherine, the Queen Dowager, her Royal "Highness the Princess Anne of Denmark, and all the "Royal Family" (p. 2). There is, after this, really but little allusion to the all-important changes which, during the previous months, had been effected; the chief official correspondence is on the subject of filling up vacant offices.

Throughout this Calendar the documents relating to the condition of finance, the army and the navy, deserve attention. Under date June 7th, 1689, there is an estimate of receipts and expenditure for the current year from the previous 1st of January, which showed an estimated deficit of 1,770,038*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* (p. 139), and there is, after January 1690, a series of weekly "dispositions" of money and of cash accounts, which contain many material entries and throw light on the condition of the Exchequer. Whilst on the subject of finance, it may be well to call attention to a letter, written on February 10th,

1690, by the Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord Mayor, in which is expressed the King's disappointment at the unwillingness of the Jewish merchants of London to furnish him with money to pay "to one of their brethren," Mons. Pereyra, in part of the contract made with him for providing the army in Ireland with bread. The London Jews had offered but 12,000*l.*, and the King desired that the Lord Mayor would send for their elders and principal merchants, and remind them of the privileges they enjoyed in England, and how much it was to their advantage to make therefor a suitable return. The interest offered was good, and his Majesty hoped that, on second thoughts, they would supply, if not 30,000*l.*, at least 20,000*l.* (p. 453). A large number of papers, it may be here mentioned, relate to the Mint and coinage.

Turning now to records dealing with military matters, several important documents may be instanced:—the condition of the troops both in Scotland and Ireland, as illustrated by the letters of their commanders in those countries; the instructions to the Commissioners for Reforming the Army (p. 97); the numerous "dispositions" of the army, setting out the whereabouts and strengths of the different regiments, and the numerous commissions and promotions. There is, too, under date March 4th, 1690, an interesting account by the Earl of Ranelagh of Chelsea Hospital:—

The number of non-commissioned officers and soldiers who had been disabled by wounds, or who had served the Crown twenty years and were judged unfit for service, was then 579, and Lord Ranelagh states that the hospital, when finished, would only lodge 472, so that 107 men, then on pension, must continue to receive the royal bounty in their quarters. He suggests an examination

of the qualifications of the pensioners, which he seems to imagine may result in the discharge of some able to serve at sea or in garrison. Drafts of patents for incorporation of the hospital were made by the two last kings, but never passed, and another patent was then in course of preparation. The body of the hospital was built when Mr. Fox was paymaster, but the finishing and furnishing the inside, the four additional buildings, and several courts and walks, have been, says Lord Ranelagh, made "since I succeeded him" (p. 494).

Of naval papers, there will be found in the present Calendar some important estimates and lists of the fleet, one of which (p. 395) furnishes a very complete record of officers. Schomberg's attacks on the Admiralty managements occur frequently, and in one of his first letters from Chester, written when he was *en route* for Ireland, he contrasts the energy of the Admiralty of France with the sloth and negligence of that of England (p. 201). The condition of the ships and of the seamen is referred to by Sir George Rooke (p. 271) and by Captain St. Loe, in a letter from Brest, dated October 12th, 1689 (p. 291).

A word should here be said about the news letters, several of which will be found in the Calendar, and also about the passes. The news letters came to the Public Record Office from the trustees of Greenwich Hospital, into whose hands they had presumably come in connection with the Northern Estates of which the hospital became possessed after the rising of 1715. The letters are mostly addressed to persons in the north of England, chiefly to those living at Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The passes are exceedingly numerous, and though the majority are granted to obscure people, they will be found of service to certain classes of inquirers. Many of them are granted to foreigners, and it is quite evident

that the clerks who enrolled the names could not, in many cases, read them. As a result some very astonishing names appear; but I deemed it more prudent to adhere to the spelling as it is given in the documents, than to give the names as it seemed likely they should properly be spelled. Several orders with regard to passes will show how careful was the watch kept upon travellers, not only to or from England, but also from one part of England to another. An equally strict watch was kept over correspondence. Occasional references occur, amongst the Post Office papers, to attacks being made upon the mails, apparently by Jacobites.

The earliest important documents in the Calendar relate to Ireland, where the condition of the Protestant inhabitants "almost wholly," so wrote the Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Tweeddale, occupied King William's attention (p. 5); and we have, on February 21st, the instructions for Captain James Hamilton, whom he was sending to Londonderry, with arms and ammunition, to assist the Protestants in its defence (p. 5). The officers of the Customs and Excise at Chester were to furnish him with 1,000*l.* for making provision for his voyage, and he was told that the form of oath, which it was required that Lieut.-Colonel Lundy should take, was contained in "the "printed Declaration of the Lords and Commons." This letter reached Hamilton at Neston on the 24th, and on the same day he acknowledged its receipt, and reported progress; he had encountered difficulty in obtaining the required arms and ammunition, and the Customs could only furnish him with 48*l.* in ready cash; but regarding as he did "the sad condition of the people for whom these "succours are designed," he did not intend to wait for money, but to proceed to Whitehaven, where he was

informed he might get the requisite arms and ammunition. A postscript to his letter announces that, when on the point of starting, Mr. Matthew Anderton had advanced him nearly 600*l.* on his own credit.

We do not learn of his success at Whitehaven, or of the date of his actual departure for Ireland, but on the 8th of March, Lord Shrewsbury, by the King's command, addressed the following significant letter to "Mr. Lundy," Governor of Londonderry, in which he incites the people of Ulster to remain loyal to his cause :—

"I am commanded by the King to acquaint you that "his greatest concern hath been for Ireland, and par- "ticularly for the province of Ulster, which he looks "upon as most capable to defend itself against the "common enemy; and that they might be the better "enabled to do it, there are two regiments already at "the seaside ready to embark for that province, with "which will be sent a good quantity of arms and "ammunition. And they will be speedily followed by "so considerable a body as, by the blessing of God, "may be able to rescue the whole kingdom and resettle "the Protestant interest there.

"His Majesty very much relies upon your fidelity and "resolution, not only that you should acquit yourself "according to the character he has received of you, "but that you should encourage and influence others, "in this difficult conjuncture, to discharge their duties "to their country, their religion, and their posterity, "all which call upon them for a more than ordinary "vigour to keep out that deluge of popery and slavery "which so nearly threatens them. And you may assure "them that, besides his Majesty's care for their preser- "vation (who hath a due tenderness and regard for

" them, as well in consideration that they are his " subjects, as that they are now exposed, for the sake " of that religion which he himself professes), the whole " bent of the nation inclines them to employ their " utmost endeavours for their deliverance; and it was " but this very morning that his Majesty hath most " effectually recommended the case of Ireland to the " two Houses of Parliament, and I do not doubt that " they will thereupon immediately come to such reso- " lutions as will show to all the world that they " espouse their interest as their own. As to your own " particular, you will always find the King graciously " disposed to own and reward the services you shall do " him in such a time of trial; and for my part, what- " ever I can contribute, either to the general service of " that kingdom or to your own particular satisfaction, " shall never be wanting" (p. 39).

The regiments which the King had decided upon to send to Londonderry were those of Sir John Hanmer and of Major-General Percy Kirke, and they were to embark at Liverpool. Hanmer was officer-in-chief, and on April 1st the King directed that the commander of the frigate or frigates to convoy the regiments from Liverpool was to follow his (Hanmer's) directions in all points. But apparently this convoy never arrived at Liverpool, for by April 24th intelligence reached the King that Col. Cunningham and Col. Richards, who, with their regiments, had been previously sent to Londonderry, had returned, and that the town was "in great hazard" of being surrendered (p. 74).

It will be remembered that these officers had, on the 17th, agreed with Lundy that their presence was useless, as Londonderry was unprovisioned for a siege and

could not hold out, and that better terms for it could be effected by offering no resistance.

Accordingly, on April 25th, the King stayed the despatch of vessels conveying arms and ammunition to Londonderry. To Admiral Herbert, Lord Nottingham gives the following reason for this direction: that according to the advice the King has received of the condition to which that place was reduced, there is too much reason to fear that the enemy was already possessed of it (pp. 77, 78).

Lord Nottingham, however, by the King's direction, three days later addressed the following letter to "the "officer or commander-in-chief and magistrates of "Londonderry." He acquainted them that "his Majesty "is highly offended" with the officers that brought back his forces which were lately sent to Londonderry, and assures them of the King's resolution to send to their relief, with all possible speed, a general officer and four regiments of foot, together with arms, ammunition, and provisions, and also money, which they might expect within a few days after the arrival of the letter. The messenger who carried it had orders to return immediately and bring to the King an account of the condition of the town, "that his Majesty may "take such further care as shall be necessary to defend "and support the inhabitants" (p. 80).

This letter was placed in the hands of John Stephens, one of the King's messengers, who was told to go, immediately upon its receipt, "post to Liverpool," and there hire a small vessel to carry him to Londonderry. Upon his arrival, if he found the place in the hands of the Protestants, he was to deliver the letter as addressed, and inform himself, as best he could, of the state of

the town, the quantity of provisions, arms and ammunition there, and also of the number of men fit to bear arms, and he was then, with all speed, to return to Liverpool. In case he met, on his return, the ships that were to transport the regiments to Londonderry, he was to give to the commanding officer a true account of the state of the place and of his proceedings. The Mayor of Liverpool was directed to give all possible assistance to this messenger (p. 80).

The troops now to be sent to Londonderry were to be under the command of Kirke, and were to be his own regiment and Hanmer's, as before arranged to be sent, and also those brought back from Ireland by Colonels Cunningham and Richards. One of the frigates at Liverpool was to convoy the forces, and a warrant was sent to her commander to allow her to go on that service "notwithstanding any orders from Admiral Herbert" (p. 81).

The instructions given to Kirke conclude:—

"When arrived at Londonderry you are to take "possession of the same town, if it be not in the hands "of the enemy. The convoy is to cruise between Ireland "and Scotland to intercept the enemy's transport; the "captain of the frigate to follow your instructions till "discharged by you. You are also to receive 5,000*l.* for "the use of the said regiments, and for other necessary "occasions. Should the said towns be in the hands of "the enemy, you are to return with the said ships to "Liverpool and Chester and quarter the said regiments "there" (*ibid.*).

Kirke was then apparently at Carlisle, and Brigadier-General Charles Trelawny, who was presumably nearer to Liverpool, was instructed to act in a manner similar

to Kirke, and to provision the ships in order that all might be in readiness on the latter's arrival; he was also told to give notice to the four French officers and the engineers then at Liverpool to accompany the regiments to Londonderry (*ibid.*).

But the despatch of the party for the relief of Londonderry was not easily or speedily accomplished. Writing from Whitehall on May 13th Lord Shrewsbury tells Kirke that it was with no little concern that the King heard he was still on this side of the water, "being satisfied that "it would have been very much for his service that you "should have sailed, with what troops and provisions "you had ready, with the first wind that offered," without waiting for anything further. Kirke was then directed to sail with the first fair wind, and he was told that a large body of men was ready to follow "in case "you can get time enough to save the town" (p. 101).

There is no document in the present Calendar which records the date of Lundy's arrival in London, but his perfidy was well understood by the 17th of May, when Kirke, it should be observed, was still at Liverpool (p. 107). Kirke expressed to Colonel St. George doubts as to the integrity of an officer, as "he was concerned "with Colonel Lundy at Londonderry," and thinks he should clear himself of that charge.

The progress of Kirke's relief expedition was no doubt closely and anxiously watched in England. In a letter dated June 7th it is stated that his fleet had been seen off the Isle of Man on the previous Sunday, and though the wind was then scant it was believed he was, ere the date of writing, already at his destination (p. 138).

There are in the bundle of Irish State Papers for the year 1689, three very curious letters from Mons. Pointis,

a French commander in King James's army that was besieging Londonderry, which have been deciphered by Dr. John Wallis of Oxford. These give us detailed accounts of the erection of the stockades or booms across the river. On the 13th June, Pointis writes, apparently to the French King, and describes the first stockade erected, which would seem had been made since the 6th. It was constructed of "beams, joined one to the other by "[iron] bands; each end of a beam is attached to the side "of that one to which it is joined by two iron hooks, and "I have run a rope along the length of the boom, from "five to six inches thick, which is attached to the said "beams by the iron hooks it passes. Care has been taken "that the rope is attached to that part of the beams in "the water, so as to take away the facility of cutting it. "All this will make it very difficult to destroy. Shelter "for our troops has been erected at either end of the "stockade, from which they can easily attack those put "to destroy it."

But even this stockade was not considered by the besiegers sufficient, and Mons. Pointis states that he has got to erect a second a little above that just completed, although, even with one, he considered the relief of Londonderry by the river quite impossible, and he states that he awaits with impatience the arrival of King William's forces in order that he may have the pleasure of witnessing their entire defeat. Mons. Pointis concludes the letter by giving a description of the position occupied by King James's army of attack:—

"The troops of the King of England, which were in two "divisions, one quartered about three miles from the town "and the other half a mile from it, have joined on a height "which is only about a musket shot and a half from the

" town, and it is from there they intend to commence the " attack. The besieged, the day before yesterday, when " this junction was made, sallied out three times, but were " each time repulsed with loss on their side. We have " just received confirmation of the news that the English " troops have embarked to come and help this place by " the river, and so we shall redouble our attention towards " the stockades " (p. 147).

Four days later he writes a very detailed account of the natural position of Londonderry and of the relative strength of the besieged and the besiegers.

The former had increased the space they had to defend by taking in the windmill. " Some of our officers prayed " me to induce Mr. Hamilton to attack the windmill, and " become master of it, but I was careful not to recom- " mend anything about which I was not certain . . . " . . . The enemy holding the windmill is really " advantageous to us, as it occupies their troops " (p. 154).

The last letter from Mons. Pointis is dated June 22 (p. 161), and describes the arrival of an English frigate near Culmore Fort. On her attempting to enter the river she ran aground, but for want of good shooting the shots fired at her took little effect, and she ultimately got off. He continues: " The enemy, we are informed, has a " force of four ships and 26 smaller craft some 30 miles " off. Mr. Hamilton no longer believes that the enemy's " plan is to attempt to enter the river, and has made me " desist from making the second stockade, and to trust " wholly to the first. He directs all his attention to the " other side, on which he believes the English will land, " and where they will be joined by the country people. I " have just learnt that Mons. Rose [Rosen] will not

" blockade Enniskillen, but will come here with a force " of cavalry and infantry. With these we shall be able " to undertake something considerable against this place " (p. 161).

That the eyes of England, and indeed of the greater part of Europe, were now directed towards Londonderry and its defenders, led by Dr. Walker, is evident from the frequent allusions to the siege in home and foreign letters; and it is interesting to find, on June 18th, the King granting licence to Prebendary Joseph Wilkinson, who had married Walker's daughter, to engrave and publish his father-in-law's portrait (p. 157).

It is stated (Tindal iii., p. 83) that after the arrival of Marshal Rosene, referred to in the last letter from Pointis, the most desperate threats were made by the besiegers against the besieged, and that Protestants from the neighbouring parts were driven before the walls of Londonderry, and there left to starve before the eyes of the besieged. It was probably on a rumour of this reaching England, that the Earl of Shrewsbury addressed Major-General Kirke, on July 11th, as follows, threatening with barbarity such Roman Catholics as were in his power:—"The King being informed " that, amongst other inhumanity offered unto Protes- " tants in Ireland, they have of late got great numbers " together of the more helpless and feebler sort, whom " they drive even to the walls of Londonderry, threaten- " ing them with famine or violent deaths if they are " not received into the town, hoping thereby to exhaust " their provisions by dividing them amongst those who " can contribute nothing to their defence, and his " Majesty resenting, as he ought, these barbarities, which " those that commit them can no more justify as

" soldiers than as Christians, commands me to imme-
" diately dispatch this messenger to signify to you his
" Majesty's pleasure that if you have any account of
" these or the like horrid practices against the lives of
" innocent persons, you shall forthwith, by a trumpeter,
" make a formal denunciation, in his Majesty's name,
" that whatever cruelties or irregular violences are acted
" against the Protestants in any part of Ireland, the
" King doth think himself obliged to return in the same
" manner upon all Papists of what rank or condition
" soever that shall be found here; and that he will not
" fail to put this in execution according to the provo-
" cation given" (p. 184).

The first letter from the Duke of Schomberg, who was despatched in command of King William's army for the reduction of Ireland, is dated from Chester on July 21st, nine days before the relief of Londonderry (p. 193). In this letter he proposes to cross to Ireland with Count Solms on the first opportunity, and disembark at Carrickfergus or Strangford, within reach of Londonderry, and where a junction can be made both with Kirke and the Enniskillen force. But on the 26th he was still at Chester (p. 199), and expresses doubt whether Londonderry can hold out; and the following day writes again that he has failed to learn any tidings of its exact condition (p. 201).

Not until August 2nd, two days after the actual relief of Londonderry, did news reach England, brought by one of the vessels sent back by Sir George Rooke, of the destruction of the obstacles in the river at Londonderry, and it is clear that even then Schomberg regarded it as very unreliable (p. 208). It is singular that no document in the Calendar records the actual relief of the town.

Walker, as we know, came to England after the relief, and on October 7th, he, in company with Lords Masereene and Kingston, Colonel Phillips, Colonel Crofton, Mr. Davys, and Mr. Rowley, gives the opinion that it would be neither prudent nor safe to send Colonel Lundy to Ireland to be tried for his conduct with regard to the defence of Londonderry (p. 286). Walker was then presumably in England; at all events it is not till February 21st, 1690, that we hear that "Dr. Walker, "who is going to Ireland, asks a permission to carry "over his horses and other things mentioned in the "enclosed paper" (p. 472).

Of the state of the town and neighbourhood after the conclusion of the siege, and of the behaviour of the people after their relief, the letters from the Duke of Schomberg have a good deal to say. Writing from Carrickfergus on August 26th, he says:—"Those of "Londonderry have also risen, and, under the pretence "of robbing the Roman Catholics, rob also those of "their own religion" (p. 231); and he afterwards states that the magistrates of the town have come to him at Dundalk, and stated the necessity for establishing officers of justice in their "parts" (p. 288).

There are in the Calendar many allusions to persons whose names are more or less known in connection with this memorable siege:—John Mograge (called "Muckeridge" by Tindal), town clerk of Londonderry, has, on January 2nd, 1690, licence to export from England 1,000*l.* in specie for the relief of the inhabitants of the city, and a pass for him to return thither from London (p. 392). Colonel Edward Crafton, or Crofton,—"whom Dr. Walker has "also certified was an officer, and behaved well at the "siege of Derry,"—is recommended to Lord Shrewsbury by Lord Cornwallis, and by him to Kirke, for promotion;

Lord Shrewsbury adding in his letter to Kirke: "I do "not question but you retain a kindness for persons "of this kind . . . . I fear he is not in a equipage "to pretend to horse service" (p. 437). On October 25th, William III. recommended to the Admiralty, for promotion, Captain Andrew Douglas, who commanded one of the ships that went to the relief of Londonderry (p. 303). Lieut.-Colonel John Forward claims that it was by his advice that the inhabitants of Londonderry first shut their gates against King James's forces (p. 444); William Irwin says that, at the risk of his life, he carried letters from the besieged "through the Irish camp" to Major-General Kirke, and returned with answers (p. 533); whilst William Conyngham sets out that he expended his money on King William's service by raising a troop of dragoons at Londonderry, and that he carried intelligence of the proposed massacre (*ibid.*).

From the information which the present volume yields concerning the siege of Londonderry, we may conveniently turn to consider what it tells us concerning affairs in Ireland generally. The most important letters, individually, or as a series, are those sent, at frequent intervals, from the Duke of Schomberg to King William. With the official despatch was often a more or less private letter, holograph, in which the Duke dealt with matters more concerning himself personally than with the progress of the campaign. The majority of the despatches are printed in part by Sir John Dalrymple in the Appendix to his *Memoirs of Great Britain and Ireland*.

Schomberg had been appointed to the command of the army which William was sending to possess himself of Ireland, and on June 18th, Lord Shrewsbury tells

Sir John Morgan, Governor of Chester, of the Duke's expected arrival at that city (p. 156). The Duke's first letter to King William is dated from Chester three days later. There can be little doubt as to Schomberg's energy in the cause he was undertaking; and annoyance at the delays in the various branches of the service on which he was dependent, forms one of the topics of nearly every letter from this first despatch onwards. In his letter of July 21st he suggests, should ships arrive, immediately crossing to Carrickfergus or Strangford, and marching to Londonderry to relieve it by land, whilst Kirke came to it by water. This, he thinks, may be done by King William's command, without waiting for the approval of the "Committee d'Ireland" (p. 193).

On July 26th, though evidently in alarm for the condition of Londonderry, he was still kept at Chester, presumably for lack of vessels to take him and his troops to Ireland. By August 3rd, he had, however, moved to Hoylake, and describes the steps he is taking for the embarkation of his men (p. 208). This is the letter in which he refers to the tidings of Kirke's successful effort to relieve Londonderry, to which reference has been already made. On the 9th the embarkation was progressing (p. 215), and on the 11th he states that he proposes to sail, next day, for Ramsey Bay, in the Isle of Man (p. 219). Two days later we find his first despatch from Ireland, dated at Bangor; in this he is able to report that King James has in his army a fairly strong force of cavalry, but that in his infantry considerable loss had occurred. The conduct of his own soldiers evidently caused Schomberg uneasiness, and there is a significant passage in this letter, in which he expresses the hope that King William will approve of the steps

he has taken in forbidding his soldiers to pillage (p. 220).

Three days later he writes to suggest reinforcements being sent *viâ* Scotland, or rather that the troops then in Scotland should be sent to Ireland and replaced by troops from England (p. 222). On the 22nd he writes that he has commenced the siege of Carrickfergus, Kirke not yet having joined him (p. 226). After describing the difficulties he has in dealing with the commanders in the army, he records the capitulation of Carrickfergus at noon on August 27th, the garrison of which place were, according to the terms of capitulation, to be sent to King James's nearest army (p. 231); but on September 10th, there is an indignant protest from the late commander there of breach of faith in regard to these terms by the conquering forces (p. 247).

Schomberg's progress is minutely described by Tindal, and the letters from him now calendared correct or confirm that writer's statements. He arrived before Dundalk on September 7th, and he says that some of the Irish in the army, fearing that King James's forces would burn that town before evacuating it, persuaded him to send a messenger within to tell King James's commander that if the burning of the evacuated towns continued, his officers, who were Schomberg's prisoners, should suffer for it. Schomberg's trouble with the newly-raised and undisciplined army under his command is again referred to in this letter, and the jealousy of the English officers of the foreigners in King William's army is illustrated by a curious incident, described by Schomberg, not in the clearest of language, that had happened on the day previous to his writing (p. 251). It certainly seems that Schomberg had a strong predilection for foreigners.

Only a few days later he writes: "The English officers "who have property in England wish themselves "home again. I would have in their place German or "Scotch troops from Holland" (p. 256). It would be tedious and unnecessary to mention, one by one, the letters from Schomberg to the King addressed during the Autumn of 1689 and the Spring of 1690. Complaints of the insufficiency of men, arms, and stores occur in each, drawbacks which certainly seem to afford him a reasonable excuse for the delay in attempting something decisive in regard to the enemy, for which delay he was receiving hostile comment in England. Take for instance the passage in his letter to the King written from Dundalk on October 6th:—"Your Majesty is of opinion "that we should push the enemy before our forces perish "from disease or the enemy gets aid from France; but "we cannot march without shoes, and we must wait "further" (p. 286); and again on October 12th: "Your "letter shows that you are informed that we have more "sick in our army than we have, and that you think we "ought to push matters and hazard something. If you "were well-informed of our state, the enemy's, and the "condition of the country, you would think otherwise. "If we fail our army would be lost; for once disordere "it could never be re-established, as it consists mostly of "newly-raised troops" (p. 288). In the same letter he expresses his opinion that the enemy is strong and well-disciplined.

As the winter approached and supplies did not arrive from England, Schomberg appears to have been fearful as to the possibility of continuing the war, and the opinion that all hope of reducing Ireland was practically lost is expressed in a news letter of December 3rd (p. 342).

On December 26th, Schomberg makes a further complaint of the badness of the officers under his command and also of the want of stores:—"The officers are negligent "in the care of the soldiers' arms, and many of them had "come into Ireland without a tent, appropriating those "given to them for the use of the soldiers, so that more "tents are needed for shelter of the men." "As," he continues, "I was never in an army in which are so "many new and lazy officers, you will believe that this "causes me much trouble; if all were cashiered that "deserve it, few would remain. . . . . The Admiralty "officials should also look to the small war-ships, [the "captains of which] make continual excuses for not "going to sea. There is need of officers of justice to "repress disorders among the people, who are lazy and "live only by pillage" (p. 367). Contrasting his own difficulty in recruiting with the enemy's he says:—"The "Protestant ministers do not apply themselves to their "duty, whilst the Romish priests are active and exhort "people to give their lives for the Church of Rome. . . . "There is no time to be lost in recruiting." Still even if the Protestant ministers exerted themselves more in inciting men to join King William's army, Schomberg did not feel certain of very much benefit to his service, since, he says (December 30th), the troops raised in Ireland may only be counted as so many Croats; in battle they will think only of plunder. He illustrates this by narrating an incident which befel William Harboard only a little before:—"Happening "to fall from his horse, five or six Enniskillen troopers "began to strip and rob him, though he said who he "was" (p. 372). Again, early in the following year he refers to methods adopted in recruiting for King James's army:—"They take, by force, those that come

" to mass, and the priests conduct them to the regi-
" ments."

But with the new year the prospects of ultimate success for William's army were certainly brighter. Colonel Wolseley gained a victory at Cavan (p. 465), and obtained a most welcome store of provisions (p. 489), and we read that the enemy "wearies" of holding Dundalk. In his despatch from Lisburn, of April 17th, he refers to the arrival of the Danish infantry, who had been very carelessly provided for on their voyage (p. 556).

It is pretty clear that the fact that Schomberg was doing nothing towards relieving the condition of the Protestants in Dublin was the subject of adverse criticism in England, for, in the letter above quoted, he refers to the fact that the citizens of that city thought they had only to acquaint him with the most trivial circumstance as to their condition in order to make him send a force for their relief, which was apparently impossible; the same view, Schomberg says, prevails in England, and he taxes Harboard with having expressed the opinion that he (Schomberg) had only to go to Dublin to gain a victory!

Schomberg now begins to refer pretty frequently, and with evident satisfaction, to King William's arrival, and what should be the first move taken thereon, and it is a noteworthy fact that he all along realised that the crucial encounter with King James's forces would be at the Boyne. Writing from Lisburn on March 14th he says, whether King William advances by way of Newry or Drogheda, or by that of Armagh and Belturbet, he will " always come upon the Boyne near Navan, or five or " six miles higher up, and there have to force the " passage of the river" (p. 506); and again on April

26th he writes:—"I think you will find the principal "opposition on the enemy's part at the river Boyne, "which runs by Drogheda, and the best cannon should "be placed there to facilitate the passage of the river; "they should be there a little before your Majesty, "with the officers who will command the artillery" (p. 566). This is the last despatch from Schomberg in the present volume. William landed at Carrickfergus on June 14th, 1690.

There were in King William's army in Ireland a considerable number of foreign troops, amongst them a number of Protestant refugees from France and Flanders, and in these, as Tindal describes, a serious defection was discovered. Col. La Caillemote, who was in command of these troops, thus writes to Lord Shrewsbury from before Dundalk on September 23rd:—"I will give you "an account of the misfortunes which have come as "well upon the regiment which the King hath given "me as upon the other French regiments. Our zeal "to serve him made us form in three months a corps "of near 800 disciplined and serviceable men. During "their marches in England there were few stragglers "and only two deserters, and they Flemings. Before "crossing the sea, I gave leave to any to go who desired "from conscientious motives or want of courage; only "one new convert left, and engaged himself in Hamilton's "regiment. To try our new troops we marched to "Carrickfergus, where they did their duty very well, as "Mr. Douglas and Count de Solms said. Unfortunately, "some recruits arrived from Flanders, all Roman "Catholics in disguise, of whom hitherto we had but "few. Before we had time for reflection, four of these "deserted, but were caught and shot. I would have got

" rid of the known Papists had I known where to send
" them. Six weeks later we discovered that King James
" and his friend D'Avaux sent spies with letters to the
" French Papists, promising pardon and recompense to
" those who would join him. Five men of three regi-
" ments designed to desert, at the instigation of a
" gentleman who had been captain of cavalry in France.
" He was afterwards in the regiment of La Meloniere,
" and desired to make his peace with France at our
" expense. We watched the Papists, and arrested them
" when they were on the point of departure with letters
" in which the said gentleman demanded the command
" of those men he could persuade to desert. The gentle-
" man was broke upon the wheel and his associates
" hanged after being examined. The mob have cast a
" slur upon us poor refugees. The name of French
" (which we so wrongly bear, since we have nothing in
" France but the liberty to breathe the air), our different
" manner of warfare, and our great attention to duty
" cause us to be hated and despised by the English.
" I have turned away 57 French, Swiss, Flemings, and
" Germans. I would give 200 pieces for as many veri-
" table Protestants who would serve. I have sent to
" England for recruits. We have lost 160 men in the
" three regiments, but our battalions are still strong"
(p. 269).

Next in importance to Schomberg's letters, as illustrating the progress of the campaign in Ireland, are those from William Harboard, who, though acting in the capacity of Paymaster-General of the Forces, addresses the King on the subject of the conduct of the war and the general management of the army and its constitution :—There were, he said, some good officers,

but abundance of very ill ones, who took no manner of care of their men, whether well or sick. "The "common men are the bravest and best creatures in the "world, obedient and ready to hazard their lives cheer- "fully, and those that are able, desirous of it, above all "things; but they are ill-clothed, and many of them "have no shoes to their feet. . . . . The General "himself is in good health and very careful to do his "part, and his son is very active and beloved by all. "I do all I can to ease him of the burden of all civil "affairs, and am with him every night two or three "hours for that purpose."

As to the wants of the army, the greatest, so Harboard considered, was of shoes and some warm coats for the men, forage and oats for the horses, carriages, and ovens to bake the meal into bread, and "some care" to be taken of the "sick men." Their forage was almost gone, and the enemy had burnt a good deal in their sight. There were a few oats on board the fleet, and they were sending away, on the morrow, a ship to Milford Haven to get some more; but that would really yield nothing towards the relief of the army. As to attacking the enemy or marching towards Dublin, that, Harboard considered, was a very delicate point and one in which he ought not to meddle. "However," he says, "since it is of absolute necessity your Majesty "should have an account of it from many hands, I will "tell you my private observations and thoughts. The "situation of this place [Dundalk] and the country about "it is such that the enemy cannot come at us but with "great disadvantage, neither can we come at them but "upon the same terms, unless we march to the right hand, "and if so, we must abandon this place and leave our sick "men here and at Carlingford at their mercy and all relief

" from our fleet. Now this latter part is impracticable " till our waggons come up, which, Mr. Shales says, " shall be here in ten days, and in the meantime the " ovens are making to get a good quantity of bread " beforehand." The good news which had reached the camp, on the day previous to writing, of the defeat which a few men of Enniskillen gave the enemy at Boyle, had much encouraged King William's soldiers, " who," adds Harboard, " on my soul will beat them [the Irish] " to dirt in half-an-hour," when they can get at them in fair open battle. Having stated the difficulties of marching, Harboard proceeds to lay before the King the danger " the other way." First, the army was sickly and the officers took no manner of care of the sick men, or of those in the hospitals, and, if sickness should increase, as he heard it might, the consequences would be serious. Besides, by inaction, the enemy visibly grew bolder, finding King William's army to be more prudent " than the Protestants of Derry and " Enniskillen usually are," and this fact had a deterrent effect on the men, who had abundance of fancies in their heads, especially since the late " discovery of the French." Harboard had talked these difficulties over with Schomberg, and he speaks in complimentary terms of the General's quickness of perception of them; he found him hopeful that the Irish would give him the opportunity of an open battle, the only cause for his delay in attack being the fear of the consequences of even a temporary defeat. Having said this much, Harboard lays before the King the false steps that have been made. First, the waggons and horses ought to have come over with the Duke; secondly, the provision ships, or at least a great part of them, ought not to have been sent back, and the pro-

visions ought not to have been left at Carrickfergus, but ordered forward to Carlingford and so to the Skerries, as they have been since, for had the Duke found bread here, which the army wanted for four whole days, in the consternation the Irish were in he might have marched straight to Dublin, which, Harboard heard, would, at the time he writes, be a more difficult task (p. 276).

Large numbers of such Protestants as could effect their escape from Ireland had come to England, and for their care and for the care of their co-religionists remaining in Ireland, King William evidently took a lively interest. Under date of March 14th, 1689, is a warrant to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, which directed a brief to be prepared for the relief of the poor Protestants of Ireland who had sought refuge in England, in the same manner used in the case of the French Protestants (p. 23); and somewhat later the King suggested to the Archbishops of Canterbury and York that such of these refugees who were Irish clergy were worthy of provision in the English Church. The Earl of Nottingham thus writes to each Archbishop :—

"The King being informed that a great number of "the Irish clergy, being driven over hither, many of "them are in a starving condition, and being desirous "to give them all the relief he can for their support "and maintenance, commands me to recommend it to "your grace to forbear bestowing the lesser preferments "in the Church, which are in your gift, for some con-"venient time, that a present provision may be made by "sequestration for such of these clergy who shall be "judged worthy by those whom his Majesty shall employ "to that purpose, which his Majesty would have your

" grace recommend likewise to my Lords the Bishops " in your province. And his Majesty commands me " assure you that no advantage, by lapse or otherwise, " shall be taken of such delay or forbearance in filling " up any such vacant benefices" (p. 70).

To King William's proposed journey to Ireland there are, as the year 1690 advances, many references. It was rumoured that the force under his command would amount to 60,000 men (p. 403), and we find, under date March 25th, an interesting order to Sir Henry Goodrick for the construction of a cover to "the travelling tent-house," evidently for the King's use in the campaign, for the making of which he was to take the directions of Sir Christopher Wren (p. 526).

The alarm with which his journey was viewed by his well-wishers finds frequent expression. Lord Portland writes from the Hague, on February 4th: " It is not only " in the English Parliament that people are opposed to " your campaign in Ireland" (p. 444); and again, on the 15th, he says: " The time of your departure drawing " near fills your friends with alarm and encourages your " enemies." Sir William Dutton Colt, writing from Brunswick, says: " I cannot rejoice at the King's journey to Ireland; but he knows best" (p. 455). Whilst an undated letter from Lord Delamere to Lord Carmarthen (p. 381), written probably at the close of 1689, expresses the grave alarm felt at the step as being favourable to a Stuart restoration. " Everybody," he says, " must " applaud the King's generous inclination in going, but, " everything considered, I cannot be persuaded to consent " to the King's going out of England. Should another, in " his absence, step into the throne, I fear he must for ever " bid farewell to it . . . . A hen that is to hatch

" eggs is instructed by nature neither to leave them so " long as that they may cool, nor go too far from them, " that another may come betwixt her and her nest. " . . . . When anyone at meat has unnecessarily " risen from his chair to reach over to the other side of " the table, if by design or chance his stool has been " removed, who suspecting no such thing, his breech has " found the ground instead of his chair, there has been " more in the company who have been pleased with it " than concerned for him. Is King James so forgot " then and friendless, as not to be bid welcome, if King " William be out of the way ?" Lord Delamere goes on to express his alarm that King William's courage " will " spur him to risk his person more than is consistent " with the public safety." The present volume of the Calendar, as before observed, closes some two months before the King's actual landing in Ireland.

The internal condition of Ireland, exhausted as it was by long-continued warfare, also finds frequent illustration. " Unless," writes Lord Lisburne, early in 1690, " there is " some change, this war will continue too long not only " for Ireland but for England too. This is now a most " miserable country, more ruined by our friends than by " our enemies " (p. 410).

The state of Dublin is described in a letter to Sir Oliver St. George, written from the narrative of one of the Protestant residents who had come from there, to negociate some business concerning the exchange of prisoners, late in September 1689: The plague had not become " so epidemic," though many houses were shut up and several of the chief citizens had been attacked by it, amongst them the Bishops of Meath and Limerick. The " Papists did not hesitate to say that

" if their army was defeated they would burn the " city. They, King James's adherents, had been under " 'fearful apprehension' of some of King William's " army landing there, and but five of our frigates " sailing near the coast so alarmed them that the " whole catholic strength thereof, which was not " 3,000 men, and they ragged and ill-armed, came " in great confusion and disorder to oppose their " expected landing; since which, their governor, Simon " Luttrell, has chained up the streets and made breast- " works at the entrance into each, to secure that naked " place." The small remnant of scholars were turned out of the College, which was made a garrison, and Lord Longford's house a prison.

The same author who told of the state of Dublin, being at Drogheda to get his pass, found that there they have fortified the mount and raised earthworks both within and without the walls. The man who gave the account also spoke with some assurance of the enemy's great want of ammunition, and believed that they had not three shots a man left. They had a few small pieces of ordnance in Dublin, and, he adds, considering the great number of Protestants there, and the general terror that has seized the Irish, a thousand resolute men, with arms for the rest, might, with ease, become masters of that city. "This," says the writer of the letter, "seems to be of so great " importance that I am confident it would not be slighted " if his Majesty were duly informed of it." The Irish could not possibly be reinforced, considering that the main strength of the nation was then at Ardee, and most of the garrisons had been drained to patch up that army.

The letter concludes: "I need not tell you how great " concernment the lives of so many thousand Protestants

" (now in captivity there) ought to be, and we may " justly dread that, if that city be burnt, they will, by a " barbarous massacre, secure them from joining with " us." A relation of the posture and proceedings in Dublin as here described had been transmitted to the Duke of Schomberg (p. 279). We have already seen what the Duke had to say as to his reason for not taking more active measures for the relief of the city.

Turning now to Scotland, we find that on April 13th the Earl of Shrewsbury expressed to the Duke of Hamilton the satisfaction felt by King William at the turn events had taken there, and "at the zeal many " of the lords and gentry, assembled at Edinburgh," had shown "for the preservation of their religion and liberties"; but he felt more particularly satisfied with the Duke's conduct in these matters, "to whose prudence," he thinks, "a great share of this beginning is due" (p. 61). Having taken the required oaths and become King and Queen of Scotland, William and Mary addressed a letter to "the meeting of the estates," turning that meeting into a parliament, and authorising it to adjourn to June the 5th. This letter is dated at Hampton Court on May 17th (p. 108); and on the following day a Privy Council for Scotland was appointed (p. 109).

The Duke of Hamilton was made the King's Commissioner, with which fact he acquainted the convention on June 5th, but his instructions bear date on May 31st. By these he was, in King William's name, to hold the first session of Parliament, to pass an Act for turning the meeting of the estates into a parliament, as well as various other Acts dealing both with Church and State; he was to endeavour to procure an Act dealing

with the depredations committed in the Highlands, and if there were other acts or things needful to be passed or done for the good of the kingdom, he was to acquaint the King and Queen therewith (p. 126).

Instructions to the Duke of Hamilton and the King's letters to the Parliament follow in pretty frequent succession, and form a material basis for the history of the progress of the settlement of Scotland. On September 14th Lord Melville writes as to the collection of tithes from the Scottish bishoprics, and on October 5th, by the King's direction, he informs "the Rev. Gilbert Rule and the rest of the "Presbyterian ministers of Edinburgh" that his Majesty is well pleased with the zeal and duty expressed in their address, and assures them that amongst his earliest instructions to his Commissioner was a direction to settle Church government in Scotland according to the inclinations of the people there, and that he will not be diverted from perfecting his intentions in this respect (p. 285). A substantial proof of the King's sentiments with regard to these ministers in Scotland generally, is shown on January 18th, 1690, when a warrant was issued for the gift of a year's rent of the Scottish bishoprics to the "Presbyterian ministers, their "widows and orphans" (p. 416).

A letter from London to Scotland, written on November 21st, 1689, narrates the progress of the settlement of Church affairs, as viewed by an opponent of episcopacy. He states that "our convention for "settling religion is 'broken in pieces,' for our "Presbyterian party hoped Dr. Tillotson would have "been chosen prolocutor, or their man, as they call "him; but the vote being between him and Dr. Jean

" [Jane], the latter had it. Dr. Tillotson was one " that would have granted us all we could have " wished for, both in the alteration of the liturgies, " prayers, ceremonies, and all; but this Jean is so " stiff for the Church of England that he will grant " nothing. Dr. Fairfax made a proposal that some " alteration might be made in the Lord's Prayer, as " that the first part, viz., 'Our Father which art in " 'Heaven,' was not grammar, and, therefore, ought to " be 'Our Father which is in Heaven'; and that the " petition 'Lead us not into temptation' ought to be " put out, as the making God the author of sin. This " was not regarded, and Baxter and all the other " Presbyterian good men will, we are afraid, decline " meeting any more" (p. 325).

The letters from Sir Patrick Hume to King William furnish a good account of passing events, and popular opinion in Scotland (pp. 486, 495, and 502). The sitting or continued adjournment of the Parliament was viewed by different parties in very different lights, and we have Hume's statement that his anxiety to promote a sitting exposed him to the anger of the Duke of Hamilton. On the 6th of March he writes that "the design of some here " has changed its shape. It was, at first, to reject this set " of Lords of the Session upon the invalidity or illegality " of their establishment, and if that could not be done to " do nothing else. Now the new design is to settle the " Presbyterian government of the Church *ante omnia*, but " in such a high sort" as the King and moderate men could not easily agree to it. The "high party" finding the opposition that would be raised to this, had, for the present, relinquished their design, and now clamoured for the rescinding the Act Rescissory of 1661. All this, says

the writer, "puts men who wish their country well to "hard work" to influence those misled, and there was visible a general "unfixedness in men's spirits" at the time. Still, a strengthening of the moderate party was hoped for, and the assurance of the Parliament's sitting was satisfactory "to good men," though displeasing to such as were "esteemed designers of confusion" (p. 496). A few days later Hume writes that this design before referred to "though it took with some at first, yet now, "when the evident wreck and bad design of it is laid "open and made clear by the pains of moderate men, "comes to be quite exploded and rejected; so that now "they recur to the first ground of assaulting the estab-"lishment of the Lords of Session as an encroachment "upon the right of the nation. Withal, they still labour "to possess the minds of the people that this Parliament "will not be allowed to meet till you return victorious "from Ireland, and that then you will settle prelacy "here, and a government arbitrary enough" (p. 502).

In his last letter here calendared, dated March 14th, 1690, Hume asks the King for "some small well-timed "notes of favour" to the Parliament, which he believes would defeat all ill designs.

The Calendar contains some interesting warrants and other documents relating to the Scottish mint and coinage, including minute directions as to coining 60, 40, 20, 10, and 5 shilling (Scots) pieces of money (p. 451), and some references to alterations of the seals. The warrant of appointment of William McLean to the office of Master of the Revels in Scotland enters very fully into the duties of the office: He was not only to licence the acting and representing of tragedies, comedies, "tragi-comedies," interludes, masks, plays, music and all other

entertainments and performances of the stage whatsoever, within the whole bounds of the kingdom, but also to have the licensing of all public trials of skill in the science of defence, all puppet shows and plays of that nature, the public showing of monsters and other strange shows, mountebanks, vaulters, tumblers, rope-dancers and other exercises of the rope, pricking books, bull-baiting, bear-baiting, and all other private and public shows of whatsoever kind or nature, where the spectators pay money, lotteries being excepted, and licence to erect theatres in any part of Scotland and to gather together a company of players who were to be the servants of the King, to be reformed, reduced, modelled, and governed by him and at his pleasure. Any one of these performers he might commit to prison, and he could also create his own officers for executing his orders. All magistrates and keepers of prisons were to receive and keep in prison those whom he committed, and detain them until he should order their release (p. 476).

On the 1st of June 1689, King William empowered the Earl of Leven and Major-General Mackay to suppress the rising in the Highlands. Speaking of the Highlanders he expresses the belief that "the generality of them are "misled by a few persons, who are the chiefs or heads "of the several clans," and being desirous to "prevent "the effusion of blood," he directs Leven and Mackay to use "all gentle means" to induce such chiefs to submit (p. 131). Similar powers to those persons were given on July 10th (p. 183). Important directions to the Duke of Hamilton and Mackay follow a few days later, on receipt of news of Dundee's rising; it is evident that the King and his Council considered the safety of Edinburgh and the Lowlands of greater consequence

than the actual attacks of the rebels in the Highlands (pp. 134 and 135). On 17th July the Earl of Nottingham was commanded by the King to recommend Mr. Thomas Theaker and Captain George Theaker, who believed they could "compass" a design for surprising and seizing Dundee, which, adds Lord Nottingham, "would be a very good service, and acceptable to his Majesty" (p. 188). But Claverhouse was disposed of in a more effectual way than by seizure, long ere these two enterprising gentlemen reached Scotland; and it is an odd coincidence that this letter should have been written on the very day on which the fight at Killiecrankie, though resulting in a defeat of King William's forces, yet ridded him of one of his enemy's most distinguished leaders and commanders. How much King James felt the loss of his general we may gather from his own expression of regret, in a letter written by him, from the camp at Dublin, to Sir Donald Macdonald of Slate, at the close of the following November:—"We cannot sufficiently express how much "we are afflicted at the news of the Viscount Dundee's "death, and next the loss of so brave a man, what is "sensible to us is the opportunity we lose by it of "rewarding his services by putting personal marks of "our favour upon him; but since we cannot do that, "we will largely gratify his family when it shall please "God to put it in our power to do justice to merit" (p. 338).

The words in which the news is referred to in this letter suggest that King James, in Ireland, had then only just learnt of it; but it is pretty clear from several documents calendared in the present volume that King William and his party believed that an active

correspondence was carried on between their opponents in the two countries: one such letter, also to Sir Donald Macdonald, and written from Dublin by Lord Seaforth, early in 1690, expresses the writer's desire to have a fine plaid made for him in order that he "may appear "a true gentleman" (p. 414).

Though the King and the Council evidently regarded the progress of events in Scotland with increasing apprehension, it would seem that news of Dundee's victory had not reached London on July 26th, when the Privy Council of Scotland was directed to have regard to the fact that officials should, at that juncture, be at their posts and not quit the kingdom (p. 200); but on the 1st of August the King writes that he has seen the letter from the Duke of Hamilton to Lord Melville, Secretary of State for Scotland, "giving an account that Lord Dundee, "with the rebels under his command, had attacked a party "of our forces under command of Major-General Mackay, "by which the said party had sustained considerable loss." Dundee's death does not seem to have been known, so that there can have been little consolation in this news for King William or his Government. Reinforcements were now ordered to Scotland, and the Privy Council there was directed to be on the alert in arresting suspected persons; those "of quality" might be sent up to the Tower of London (p. 205). A week later the King commanded the issue of a proclamation of indemnity to such rebels as would lay down their arms, power of exception from this indemnity being given to the Privy Council of Scotland (pp. 213, 214); and we learn, on September 14th, that the proclamation was bearing good fruit, as numerous rebels were laying down their arms and taking the oath (p. 255). Occasional allusions

to the movements both of Mackay and of the rebels occur during the autumn and early winter; and, on December 18th, the King assured the Privy Council that he had commissioned the Earl of Leven, Mackay, and Sir George Munroe to reorganise the standing forces in Scotland, so that "sufficient men and skilful officers" might be employed; and that frigates would cruise upon the west coast to prevent correspondence between the rebels of Scotland and those of Ireland (p. 361). Additional instructions were sent to these persons on January 4th, 1690 (p. 394); and, on the following day, Mackay was commissioned as Major-General of the Army in Scotland (p. 395).

Great preparations for a campaign against the Highlanders is referred to on March 20th, 1690 (p. 516), but in a letter written about the same time, from Lord Drumlanrig, the writer refers to King William's troops as ill-clothed and generally unprepared for war; and Viscount Tarbat, writing from Edinburgh on April 9th, speaks with alarm at the insufficiency of the force that Mackay was sending northwards: the Highlanders, he says, had increased in numbers, and were "at a head," which would render dealing with them more difficult than when they were a number of separate parties. He continues: "The party "sent to infest the isles should be 800, whereof 200 "should remain in garrison at Dunstaphnage; it is not "safe to leave it in other Highlanders' hands . . . . "for, albeit their chief be faithful, and perhaps the men, "yet their wives, parents, and goods being obnoxious to "the enemy, they may be thereby influenced to act "otherwise than will be for your service or safety of "your party" (p. 546). A few days later Tarbat writes again to the King that his army has hitherto been so

posted as to give very little trouble to his enemies, but that it "exceedingly vexed his peaceable subjects," for, as the troops had had "little pay from the first of "November, so they have taken free quarters, to the "ruin of many and irritation of more" (p. 551).

Letters and papers relating to Wales are not particularly numerous in the Calendar. We find that considerable anxiety existed on the part of the Government as to correspondence between the Principality and Ireland; but the most important Welsh document here calendared is, perhaps, the advice given by Sir George Treby, the Attorney-General, on the future government of Wales, the Court of Marches having been abolished, to the great satisfaction of the Welsh people.*

That court being abolished, says Treby, the office of President is also abolished, there being nothing for him to do but what is done in the ordinary course of justice in England, the King making judges, justices of the peace, &c. The President's power as to the militia is entirely a distinct affair.

In lieu of a Lord President of the Marches, he suggests that a Lieutenant be appointed to govern the militia:—"He may be either a commoner or a peer, and "either of all Wales or any particular county. I am "of opinion that to make a commoner lieutenant of "all Wales, or any county thereof, will not be for your "service. If you appoint one for North Wales and one "for South Wales, I would propose for North Wales "Lord Newport, now Lord-Lieutenant of Shropshire, or "the Earl of Bridgewater, the greatest part of whose "estate lies in Shropshire, and whose ancestor was Lord

* *See* Twelfth Report of the Historical MSS. Commission, Appendix VI.—Report on the House of Lords Papers.

" President, or Lord Willoughby, who has a good estate " in two counties in North Wales. For South Wales I " propose the Earl of Pembroke, whose ancestors have " had great possessions there, or Lord Carbery, who is " a native and has a residence there."

The duties of the abolished Lord President, other than those which related to the militia, Treby suggested, should be performed wholly by one or both of the Secretaries of State. "You will," he says, "thereby have more " immediate influence over them, as they will always " have access to your Secretary. Moreover, the gentle- " men of Wales have always coveted to be governed " immediately by the King or by the Prince, and by the " means suggested, you take them into your immediate " protection." This arrangement would, moreover, save the pension which a Lord-Lieutenant of Wales might expect, and would set aside "the competition and importunity" with which Treby presumed the King was troubled for this employment. The Secretary, he adds, need not spend a farthing more; his office is very "gainful"; his clerks or secretaries will gain by the commission, and "I am confident your subjects will be " pleased" (p. 384).

Several papers occur in the Calendar relating to the American and West Indian Colonies, one of the most interesting being the description written from "St. " Maries County, in Maryland," in March 1690. It is from John Coode to the Secretaries of State, and he narrates the condition of the colony and of its Protestant inhabitants. They were much disturbed by the "Papists," some of whom, deputies under Lord Baltimore's commission, fled to Virginia, presumably on the news of King James's abdication, and, being sheltered by that

Government, were allowed to make frequent returns into Maryland with men and arms. Mr. John Payne, the King's collector in the latter colony, "a truly loyal, "courageous, and zealous Protestant," had been "most "barbarously murdered by them" under the following circumstances: Major Nicholas Sewell, son to Lady Baltimore, one of the late deputy-governors and secretaries of this province (with others suspected of "tyrannic "and treasonable practices"), fled with a small yacht with arms and ammunition into Virginia, "from whence "he returned suddenly again into this province, and, "upon his return, came ashore." In the interim Mr. Payne, in a small boat with four men, went on board, and "civilly demanding and reasoning with "them of their coming and going into and from this "province, without due report or entering or clearing "with the King's officers," was immediately shot dead. The rest with him in the boat with much difficulty saved their lives, being pursued to the very shore, when they saved themselves by the shallowness of the water, and some defence they made with some fire-arms they had in the boat; the murderers, with the yacht, escaped into Virginia. Mr. Christopher Rousby, who preceded Mr. Payne in the office of collector, met with the same tragical end, being "barbarously murdered "by Colonel George Talbot, an Irish Papist and chief "governor here, after Lord Baltimore had endeavoured "by false informations and suggestions before the King "and Council to deprive him of his life."

As to public affairs relating to King William's government in America, they had advice from Barbadoes in a letter from Colonel Steed, the governor, that "by "the courage and resolution of that Government," the

inhabitants had not only preserved themselves but had made considerable attempts upon the French, and had taken Marygalante, St. Bartholomew's, and St. Martin's, and questioned not to carry Martinique and St. Christopher's. From New York the governor informed them that the Canada-French had "barbarously massacred" the inhabitants of Schenectady, a town near Albany, but that the forces of New York were in pursuit of the enemy, and had sent hither to Virginia for some assistance. The Virginia Government would not, however, "be "concerned." "We, of this province, are necessitated "to contribute the best we can against so dangerous "and known an enemy, having certain intelligence from "some prisoners that they will suddenly attempt this "province and Pennsylvania, of whom we are in daily "expectation and have made suitable preparations, for "which we are in great want of present ammunition," the late treacherous governors not having left in the public magazine "above 400 lbs. of powder and about "4,000 lbs. of shot and 400 fire-arms."

That a large number of papers relating to continental affairs have found their way into the series of State Papers, Domestic, for the reign of William and Mary might naturally be expected. They are particularly numerous amongst those preserved in the King's private cabinet, known as "King William's Chest." The contents of these letters, though highly important in illustrating the progress of the war on the continent, and, indeed, foreign affairs generally, have been only very slightly indicated in this volume, which is a Calendar of Domestic State Papers, and it would be out of place to devote any space in the present preface to pointing out the most prominent facts of interest

which they reveal; it may, however, be permitted to remind the reader that, as a series, the Earl of Portland's letters throw much light on the affairs of Holland, and that the letters of the Prince of Waldeck detail the progress of the allied forces on the continent.

Of King James and those that remained loyal to his cause, we do not learn a great deal from the documents dealt with in the Calendar, but warrants for the arrest of persons suspected as his adherents, and allusions to the unsettled state of Scottish border lands, especially in the neighbourhood of Berwick, are exceedingly frequent, and we find some allusion to the Lancashire plot, the story of which was hatched by the informer, John Lunt, and accepted by the Government on the most slender evidence (pp. 520, 535, 540, 541, 567, &c.). Important light on the history of this plot has lately been thrown by the publication of a report on Lord Kenyon's MSS. at Gredington, issued by the Historical MSS. Commission.* The amount of popular sympathy for the late King and his cause is illustrated by passages in some of the letters calendared, and a significant allusion to this is contained in Lord Delamere's letter on the subject of King William's journey to Ireland, already noted (p. 381). Under date of March 10th, 1689, there is a warrant to search for and seize certain of the late King's books and papers (p. 18). His arrival in Ireland is referred to in a letter to Admiral Herbert on the 21st of the same month (p. 33), and letters, already mentioned, from Mons. Pointis to the King of France, describe the manner in which he was served in Ireland. There is an allusion to the nurse to "the pretended Prince of Wales," under date June

* Fourth appendix to Report XIV.

8th, 1689 (p. 139), and to the festivities indulged in at the English Embassy in Spain on the occasion of his birth, in the Ambassador's account (p. 477). There is an undated description of the Englishman in France with King James (p. 375), which must belong to a date prior to his arrival in Ireland, a list of his forces in Ireland (p. 385), and an interesting list of pensions granted by him since the close of the year 1685 (p. 382).

Some of the writings, sayings, and doings of his partizans appear in the warrants and informations against them, and many of these documents show the late King's adherents to have been found in very varying ranks of society. The churchwardens of Faversham report that their vicar, when told to proclaim a fast for the success of King William's arms in Ireland, exclaimed: "Just soe that rogue Oliver did when he "had any rogery to doe: then he called a fast" (p. 569). The captain of Walmer Castle did not like King William's declaration as Prince of Orange; he thought the words "we" and "our," looked "too much king-like" (p. 361). Noblemen, country squires, merchants, small tradesmen, farmers, and labourers, are all included in the lists of persons upon whom suspicion fell. That such suspicion was sometimes unwarranted, we may judge by a letter from the Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Durham in July 1689. He warns the mayor not to include as sympathizers with the fugitive monarch every person to whom his declarations, or libels on the then Government, were directed. "It is now," he writes, "grown a "frequent abuse to disperse these papers in a clandestine "manner by directing them to persons of worth and "integrity. . . . . This might partly be prevented

" if the carriers were careful to inform themselves of " whom they received any goods" (p. 177).

Personal particulars of King William and his Queen are not abundant. The keen interest that the King took in the welfare of the Protestants of Ireland has been already mentioned, and his sentiments on other matters do not find much illustration. The well-known letter in which the future Duke of Wharton reproaches him for his ingratitude to the Whigs, printed in full by Dalrymple, is mentioned on page 367 of this volume.

But of other famous persons of the time the documents in the Calendar have more to say. There is a curious and interesting letter from Dr. Gilbert Burnet, Bishop of Salisbury, dated at Salisbury on September 7th, 1689, on the subject of a book that had been submitted to him by the Earl of Shrewsbury, apparently with a view to ascertaining his opinion whether or not a prosecution of the author was desirable. Speaking of a passage in the book, Dr. Burnet says: "What he [the author] insists " most on as to the Conquest, has been often and fully " answered; for it is certain that William the Conqueror " only conquered Harold and his party, but not the nation; " and though he was in many things rigid and cruel, and " broke many of our laws, yet he still governed according " to law as to the main. Yet upon the whole matter, I do " not think that now, when we are at quiet, it is con- " venient to write much upon the subject of proving the " right of the people's defending themselves when the " whole constitution is in danger of being overturned. " That is a question fit to be laid to sleep, for in quiet " times there is no occasion to dispute it, and whensoever " a new occasion is given, by the violence of the Govern- " ment, to examine it, authors and matter will be found

" to support it." He then goes on to speak in glowing terms of Mons. Alix, a French divine, "one of the " learnedest and worthiest men in the world," who he hopes will be made Prebendary of Westminster (p. 245).

Lord Jeffreys' death in the Tower is referred to in the following warrant, directed to Lord Lucas on April 19th, 1689, the day after his death:—" Whereas it hath been " represented to us that George, Lord Jeffreys, a " prisoner under your custody in our Tower of London, " is deceased, and that (as it appears by an inquisition " of a jury taken upon oath) of a natural death; our " will and pleasure is that you forthwith deliver the " body of the said Lord Jeffreys to his relations, in order " to be buried in what place and in such manner as they " shall think fit" (p. 69).

There are too in this volume of the Calendar a number of letters from the Earl of Portland, mostly to King William, whilst the writer was on a mission to Holland. These are all in French, and a writer to the Earl refers to his (the Earl's) want of knowledge of the English language (p. 250). Portland's letters, as already stated, relate chiefly to foreign matters, and so have been but slightly calendared here, though in one letter from the Hague, in February 1690, he refers a little to English politics, and expresses the belief that "les Wiges" will be downcast at the prorogation of Parliament (p. 463). His gratitude to King William is apparent in a letter written a week later, in which he states that he is impatient to return to England in order to testify his appreciation of the many benefits done his family (p. 473).

There are a few allusions to the Earl of Marlborough: writing from the camp before Walcourt, on August 25th, 1689, the Prince of Waldeck says: " The Earl of Marl-

" borough is assuredly one of the most gallant men I " know" (p. 230), and subsequent praise of him comes from the same quarter (pp. 261, 269). A letter from him to the King, written from the continent, in which he speaks about his difficulty in raising recruits for service in Ireland, will be found at page 430.

Of the Duke of Schomberg we also gain a good many personal particulars, besides those relating to his public service during the campaign in Ireland. Whether his partiality for foreigners may account for the persistency of his hostile comments on the English soldiers and their officers is a matter for consideration; certainly Lord Halifax did not hesitate, in Committee, to charge him with unfairness in this respect (p. 437). King William bestowed upon him every possible mark of personal favour and benefit, going so far as to direct that his patent of creation as an English peer should pass without the payment of fees, though his Majesty was careful to announce that this instance of his royal favour was by no means to establish a precedent (p. 102). That such personal regard on the part of his sovereign was reciprocated by Schomberg is shown by the repeated expressions of attachment to his service, and indeed of a strong personal affection; these occur throughout Schomberg's letters. The great lack of money which hampered King William to a large extent in his dealings with Ireland also finds frequent expression of sympathy on Schomberg's part:—" I am " surprised," he writes, " that nobody sends you money " to pay the army. If I had the 100,000*l.* your " Majesty gave me some time ago, you should willingly " have it " (p. 497). This statement does not tally with the foot-note at p. 98 of Tindal: " The Commons

" had given him [Schomberg] one hundred thousand " pounds, to be paid out of the civil list, which, however, " the King never paid." To Colonel Percy Kirke's personal character and military skill some interesting allusions are made in the Calendar; in Schomberg's view he was " un homme capricieux " (p. 199).

A petition from John Locke, on the subject of the arrears of his salary as Secretary to the Council of Trade and Plantations, will be found under date February 10th, 1690 (p. 455).

Documents relating to the Church in England, Scotland and Ireland are very frequent throughout the Calendar; many of those relating to Scotland have been already referred to, and King William's various addresses to Convocation on the subject of alterations in the liturgy, canons, and the constitution of ecclesiastical courts will be found on pages 314, 332, 354, &c. Besides these there is, under date of January 5th, 1690, the warrant for a commission to William Payne, D.D., one of the King's chaplains in ordinary, to visit all churches and chapels which were indisputably of royal and exempt jurisdiction within the city of London and 20 miles of the same, and where the episcopal authority had no pretence or claim, or where such claim was disputed, " as particularly in the parish churches and " chapels of St. James', Duke's Place, and Trinity in the " Minories." In these exempt churches and chapels were celebrated " divers clandestine marriages . . . . " and other crimes and illegal practices daily committed." Dr. Payne was likewise to inquire into unlawful marriages there celebrated, and to punish the offenders by ecclesiastical censures, and to grant licences of marriage in those churches or chapels to seamen and others as is

used in other places, and to appoint a registrar or notary and to use a seal and what else may be necessary for such visitation (p. 398).

A little more than a month later (February 13th) the King addressed a letter to the Bishop of London desiring it to be circulated throughout the provinces of Canterbury and York, by which was required an examination into "the lives and learnings" of those desiring to be admitted into holy orders, and a direction to see that the clergy were resident in their livings. Moreover, the clergy were to be admonished to live religiously, and to observe the canon as to sober conversation. They were also to preach frequently against "those particular "sins and vices" which were most prevalent in the realm, and on every Sunday on which such sermon should be preached they were to read the statutes provided against those sins (p. 460).

As might be expected, there are many indications to be met with in the Calendar of King William's sympathy with the Protestants on the continent. First, under date October 31st, 1689, there is a letter from him to the Bishop of London reminding him that the distress of the Protestants in Switzerland was greatly increased by the departure of considerable numbers of the strongest and ablest men amongst them, whose labour and industry contributed, in a great measure, towards the support of their friends and relations, with a design to resettle themselves in some of those places from whence they have been driven ; by which means the aged persons left behind with their wives and children were reduced to extreme necessity. "We are," writes the King, "deeply affected at their deplorable state, "and have just impressions of their extraordinary

" patience and the constancy of their faith, and we " think it incumbent upon us to afford them some " help, not doubting the same disposition in our subjects. " We, therefore, commend their case to your especial " consideration, requiring you to give direction to the " clergy of our city of London and parts adjacent, " that in their public assemblies upon the next Lord's " day, or as soon as may be possible, they represent " the necessities of these poor people and, by the most " prevailing arguments, excite their parishioners in a " compassionate regard to their sufferings freely to " contribute to their relief" (p. 309). King William at the same time commended the case of the French Protestants in Switzerland to the care of the Lord Mayor (*ibid.*). There is besides, amongst the papers from King William's private cabinet, a memorandum which discusses the possibility of effecting a rising of the Protestants in France, and the religious feeling in the district of the Cevennes. "The religion" was particularly numerous in Vivarais, Dauphiné, Bas-Languedoc, Roverque, Haute-Languedoc, Fois, and Haute Guienne. The country there was naturally strong, and the inhabitants were men of determination. Since the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, the French troops had never ventured to make an attack upon their religious assemblies. The number of men capable of bearing arms, on behalf of the Protestant cause, was very large, and a rising in any one part of the Cevennes would quickly spread. To effect this rising it was proposed to send officers by way of Switzerland, and also to send 50,000 or 100,000 livres. The memorandum goes on to state that the banished ministers, whose presence would be of much assistance, only needed the orders of the King of England to ensure their starting,

and suggests that the Elector of Brandenburg should be allowed to ask the refugee officers, then in his service, to go to Holland or England, in order to their return to France. A descent on the coast of the Mediterranean would greatly assist the insurrection. Directions might be sent to Zurich to Mons. de Convenant (p. 119).

Many of the foreign refugee Protestants in England, who had come over at an earlier date, had probably, by the time of which we are speaking, already entered upon the commercial careers by which, as is well known, many of them subsequently became exceedingly wealthy. They do not seem to have relished the idea of supporting their less fortunate brethren who had newly come to England in such numbers, and we find, in August 1689, a petition from the elders and chief men of the congregation of the Savoy, beseeching the King to afford them some relief from the "disorderly assemblies of the "French, who are in the last stage of misery, and "remain in London instead of dispersing themselves "in the provinces." The Earl of Nottingham sent this petition to the Bishop of London, stating that the King desired him to call to his assistance the ministers of the Savoy, and other French ministers in London, in order to inquire into the abuses complained of, and to consider what remedy it would be most proper to apply (p. 227).

Some attention should be given to the numerous applications made to Government with regard to patenting inventions which throw an important light on the commercial history of the time, and demonstrate the fact that the ideas of many successful modern inventions are not, in themselves, so modern. Some allusions

to the use of glass shells in warfare, to be found on page 332, are interesting.

A large number of the papers calendared throw light on the history of London, whilst the frequent reference to different localities, such as the "Artillery Garden" (pp. 49 and 114), and the signs of London coffee houses and their positions, &c., will be found interesting to those studying London place-names. The theatres and entertainments in London are also referred to in one or two documents, and under the date November 14th, 1689, there is an order reciting that complaint had often been made that divers persons "did rudely press "and, with evil language and blows, force their way "into the King's theatres (called the Theatre Royal, "in Bridge Street, and the Duke's Theatre, now the "Queen's Theatre, in Dorset Garden) at the time of "public representations and actings, without paying "the price established at both the said theatres, to "the great disturbance of the King's servants licensed "by royal authority, and to the danger of the public "peace." No person, of what quality soever, was for the future to presume to enter there without paying the price established for the respective places; no money was to be returned, and, "to avoid further "fraud," everyone was to take a ticket at the offices appointed for that purpose, and deliver it to the respective door-keepers before entering into "the pit, "first, or upper galleries." And forasmuch as it was impossible to command "those vast engines used in "operas (which move the scenes and machines), and to "order such number of persons as must be employed in "works of that nature, if any but such as belong thereunto "be suffered to press in amongst them, it is commanded

" that no person, of what quality soever, presume to " stand or sit on the stage, or to come within any part " of the scenes at either theatre before the opera or play " begins, while it is acting, or after it is ended."

In conclusion, the soldiers who attended the respective theatres were not to allow any "footmen and servants" to come within the said theatres during the time of performance, or to make any noise without so as to disturb the audience (p. 321).

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CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS
(DOMESTIC).

WILLIAM AND MARY.

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Feb, 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Pollexfen and Sir Robert Atkins.—The King directs you to attend him to-morrow at nine of the clock at the Secretary's Office in the Stone Gallery here, and I am bid to let you know it is to have your opinion how this present convention may best be turned into a Parliament. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 29.]

Feb. 13. Proclamation of William and Mary, as King and Queen of England. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 6.]

Feb. 14. Whitehall. Proclamation that all Sheriffs Justices of the Peace, Collectors, Receivers, and others connected with the revenue, being Protestants, and who held office on the 1st of December last, shall be continued in the same. [*Ibid., No.* 9.]

Feb. 14. London. News-letter. The Lords and Commons, having on Tuesday night fully agreed the preliminaries and ordered them to be enrolled in the records of Parliament, and Chancery; they agreed to a Proclamation for proclaiming William and Mary, King and Queen of England, &c., and yesterday they were proclaimed in London and Westminster with all the accustomed formalities, accordingly. The Lords and Commons having met at Westminster, went thence to Whitehall and, in the Banqueting House, desired them to accept the Crown, as above; which they did, and afterwards proceeded with the heralds to the Royal Exchange, being met at Temple Bar by the Mayor and aldermen on horseback. The King and Queen having heard the declaration of the Lords and Commons read, went to the Royal Chapel where the Bishop of London preached; the Princess of Denmark was with them. Dr. Burnet officiated as clerk of the closet to the King, and Dr. Stanley to the Queen. The sermon being ended, all the Bishops that were at chapel, viz.:—The Archbishop of York, the Bishops of London, St. Asaph, Winchester, Gloucester, and Bristol, and the Bishop of Kildare in Ireland went from thence and took off their habits in order to wait on their Majesties, who received them very graciously. The Lords have ordered the Clerks of the Court of King's Bench to make copies or abstracts of what proceedings have been in their office against any peers in criminal cases since James II. to this time. Yesterday Lord Chief Justice Wright was apprehended by Sir William Waller at the Old Bailey and carried before the Lord Mayor and being accused of

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having committed high misdemeanor was committed to Newgate. His Majesty has made Lord Shrewsbury one of his principal Secretaries of State Lord Devon, Lord Steward of his household. Mons. Benting, Lord Chamberlain, Mons. Overkirk Master of Horse, Lord Halifax, President of the Council, and it is said the Lord Danby will be made Treasurer. The Privy Councillors were sworn this day. [*Greenwich Hospital, News Letters, Vol.* 3, *No.* 66, *and Greenwich Hospital, News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 281.]

Feb. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord Great Chamberlain. As the King does not intend to go to-morrow to the Parliament you need not summon the peers to be there in their robes. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 29.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. Warrant to George Collins, one of the King's messengers in ordinary to arrest Edmund Stack, a reputed Roman Catholic, lately one of the clerks in the Excise and Hearth Office, who has absconded with bonds and papers relating to those branches of the revenue. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 164, *and Entry Book* 72, *p.* 19.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. Warrant to Thomas Neale, Master of the Mint, to continue to coin the gold and silver bullion in the Mint with the former dies until the puncheons and dies "with our effigies and arms shall be made "and finished." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 165, *and Entry Book* 72, *p.* 21.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. Passes for John Evans, and his servants, John Wright and Thomas Johnson, to go beyond seas. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 19]; a duplicate of the above, [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 164]; for Jonathan Evans, ditto; and for John Sparrow and Ralph Onion to go to Holland, and to return. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 16. Whitehall. Warrant to search printing houses for unlicensed, seditious, false, and scandalous papers, books, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 22.]

Feb. 16. Duplicate of the above. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 168.]

Feb. 16. Order in Council that in all prayers for the King, to the word "King" be added "and Queen," to the word "Sovereign Lord" be added "and Lady" and that instead of the King's name, "Charles" or "James," there be used the names "William and Mary." And the first petition for the King in the Litany shall end thus "Thy servants William and Mary, our most Gracious King and Queen." In the prayer for the High Court of Parliament, instead of "Our sovereign and his" these words, "Their Majesties and their." In the first and second collects for the King, next after the Commandments, the words be read thus, "The hearts of thy chosen servants "King William and Queen Mary, that." In the prayer for Christ's Church militant the words be read thus, "And especially Thy "servants William and Mary, our King and Queen." In the first prayer in the form to be used at sea, the words be read thus, "Our "most Gracious Sovereign Lord and Lady King William and "Queen Mary and their Kingdoms." And in all prayers for the Royal Family the persons particularly to be prayed for, be thus named and expressed, "Catherine the Queen Dowager, her Royal

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" Highness the Princess Anne of Denmark and all the Royal " Family." [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 1 ; *and S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 7.]

Feb. 16. Whitehall. Warrant to Robert Stevens, messenger, inspector of printing presses, to apprehend the authors of " divers false, scandalous, and " seditious books, papers, news, pamphlets, and intelligences, daily " printed and dispersed, containing idle and mistaken relations of " what passes, with malicious reflections upon persons to the dis- " turbance of the public peace, which are published without any " authority contrary to the laws in that case provided." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 168.]

Feb. 16. Whitehall. Pass for Mrs. Arabella Knifton and Mrs. Anne Clifford, with a maidservant, to go to France. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 17. Cambridge. Dr. John Covell to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have heard from Dr. Wynne that orders were sent from the Council Chamber to all Corporations for proclaiming their present Majesties ; neither I nor the Mayor have received them. [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 2.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Robert Holmes. I send you for examination the copy of a Memorial delivered in by the Agent of the Hanse Townes, relating to the two ships therein mentioned, and request that you return it to me, together with your opinion what it becomes his Majesty to do in this case. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 29.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. Passes for —— Robinson, merchant, to go to Hamburgh and to return ; for Epinetus Pollett and Thomas Clifton to go to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 168] ; and for the following persons to embark at Dover for Calais :—Charles Leybourne, esq., Humphrey Northall, Thomas Arnold, Thomas Wentworth, esq., James St. Claire, esq., Joseph Persicoe, esq., and 6 servants, Robert Buckingham, esq., Henry Hurlston, William Singleton, Walter Dormer, senior, Thomas Johnson, Robert Doary, Walter Dormer, junior, Richard Drew, Henry Devon, Richard Chaire, Bartholemew Gardner, John Serjeant, Thomas Hooper, Robert Wallis, Robert Chapman, John Ketchlove, Thomas Palmer, John Grey, John Meckries, Charles Johnes, David Robert, Guy Forster, Thomas Muttlebury, Thomas Butler, junior, John Hampsted, Henry Pockley, John Floyd, Thomas Swift, Peter Vandore, Timothy Clarke, John Lewin, George Peirson, Philip Carney, Benjamin Booth, John Fisher, Benjamin Cotton, Thos. Chamberlain, and —— Faune. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 166-7.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. Duplicate of the last without the list of names. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 22.]

Feb. 18. His Majesty's speech in the House of Lords. *Printed.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 3.]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir William Phipps, knt., and Increase Mather, rector of the college of Cambridge, in the New England, setting forth that the charters of Incorporation, granted

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to the four colonies in New England, were, in the year 1684, taken away, and Sir Edward Andros, made Governor of that Colony; and praying that their ancient privileges may be restored to them. Referred to the Committee for trade and foreign plantations for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 53.]

Feb. 18. The Hague. Count Weibbenum to [the King ?].—The Marquis of Castanaga's opinion on the action of the French. Asks for 5,000 English troops to asssist in the campaign. Condition of the cavalry and of the garrisons. The Prince of Vaudémont hopes for a continuance of your protection. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 1.]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of 4*l.* a day to George, Marquis of Halifax, as Keeper of the Privy Seal. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 212.]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. Warrant to the Clerk of the Signet to prepare a Bill to pass the privy seal for the payment of 4*l. per diem* to George, Marquis of Halifax, Keeper of the Privy Seal, "in lieu of the ancient diet of sixteen dishes of meat." [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. Passes for Elizabeth Philips to go to France; and for Andrew Ker, Adam Davidson and Lawrence Deese to travel by land to Scotland. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 19. Protection for Mrs. Ann Talbot, of Longford, Shropshire, who is "under great apprehensions of being molested and prejudiced by "some disorderly persons; and also to William Hill, her steward." [*Ibid., and S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 23.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Harris, "engraver," to make "two new seals for our signet" according to a draft enclosed. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 70, *and S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 25.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. The like to the same to engrave "a new seal to be used as our privy seal," according to a draft enclosed. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 19. Whitehall, Warrant to deliver Colonel John Butler, taken into custody at Whitehaven, and all other Irish prisoners, to the officer appointed to take them to Carlisle. [*Ibid., and S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 25.]

Feb. 19. Proclamation for avoiding all damage and loss to the subject by the foreign coins lately received by them. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 10.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. O. Wynne [Secretary to the Earl of Shrewsbury] to Richard Owen, Postmaster at Holyhead. You will find by the enclosed that a strict eye is to be had to the port of Holyhead that no person be suffered to go for Ireland without a pass. I am bid to desire you to send constant accounts of what news you have from Ireland, and of such persons as shall happen to be stopped there. And if you be not the chief officer in that port, you are to communicate this to him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 30.]

Feb. 19. Pass for Thomas Jolly, with six children and three servants, to go to Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 169.]

Feb. 20. Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Strode for a writ of error, upon a judgment of the Court of King's Bench, given against

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him, in an action of trespass upon the case, brought by one George Rodney in the county of Devon. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 54.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. Passes for Allycourt and Halleele, two Turks to go beyond sea; for Mr. Nicholas Hubin, with his wife and two servants to go to France; Mr. —— de Roche and Mr. —— de Perigni to go to Holland; for John Issen with his wife and two children, to go to Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 170]; for Thomas Thompson, with one servant to go to France; and for Thomas Plott to go to Italy, by way of France. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 178.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. Warrant to William, Earl of Devonshire, Steward of the Household to swear and admit Francis, Viscount Newport, as Treasurer of the Household, Thomas Wharton, as Controller of the Household, Sir Stephen Fox, as eldest clerk of the Green Cloth, William Forrester, as second clerk of the same, James Forbes, as eldest clerk comptroller and —— Isaac, as youngest clerk comptroller. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 172, *and S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 25.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Capt. Hamilton at Chester. By his Majesty's commands, I send you the enclosed letters and papers. The instructions which are signed for you by the King will sufficiently inform you of his intentions and pleasure, so that there is nothing more to be added than to acquaint you that I have written the enclosed letters to Mr. Anderton and Mr. Frith, Officers of the Customs and Excise at Chester, directing them to furnish you with the 1,000*l.* and to provide a vessel for carrying you and the stores, as is mentioned in the said instructions. The form of the oath which is required to be taken by Lieutenant-Colonel Lundy you will find in the printed Declaration of the Lords and Commons. There are some other papers which are to be sent into Ireland with care and diligence such as the printed proclamations for proclaiming his Majesty in that Kingdom which will be sent forward as soon as ready, but the condition of that country calling for your speedy departure, you need not stay for them when you shall be provided with all things else for your voyage. [*Postscript to a duplicate letter.*] Copies of the proclamation are enclosed for publication in Ireland. More will be sent. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 30.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. The same to Lord Tweeddale. I am commanded by his Majesty to acquaint your lordship that he has received your letter of the 7th instant, and that the account you gave him of having assisted the Protestants in Ireland with arms and ammunition was very acceptable to him, their conditions being such as ought to engage all of the same profession to give them all possible relief and succour against the common enemy of our religion, which his Majesty is so extremely sensible of, that his thoughts are almost wholly employed how to rescue and deliver them from those imminent dangers that threaten them and therefore cannot but be very well pleased that your Lordship, and such as have nearer opportunities to serve them, are so readily disposed to do it. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 32.]

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Feb. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to [Matthew] Anderton and W. Frith, Officers of the Customs and Excise at Chester. Directing them to furnish Capt. James Hamilton with the sum of 1,000*l.* [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 31.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. The same to Matthew Anderton. Directing him to despatch the stores of war to be sent to Ireland under the charge of Capt. Hamilton, in a sufficient merchant ship hired at the port of Chester. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 32.]

Feb. 21. Cowes. Sir Robert Holmes to the Earl of Shrewsbury.—On the 31st of December last, a privateer pinck of Flushing, burthen about eighty tons, called the *White Phœnix*, Vita Vita, master, brought into this road two prizes; viz. *The Cornelius*, a galliot hoy, of and from Hamburgh, Jacob Jacobson, master, bound for Rouen; and the *St. Bartholomew*, a flyboat, of and from Hamburgh, Casteen Fryer, master, bound for Honfleur. On the 12th instant the privateer sailed hence with her prizes. Though the prizes were seized under a commission from the Prince of Orange, I think "the King of England has nothing to say to them," but that the Zealand privateer may carry them into Zealand, and the Hanse towns make their complaint to the States. "For if the Hanse towns be permitted to carry naval "stores to France, it may be of ill consequence to any prince or "state, which hath war with him." The privateer and the two Hamburgh vessels are still at Spithead, if the King has any more to say to them. "I have a report from a newly-arrived vessel that "there are several French men-of-war and privateers cruising in "the Channel. Some few of the Irish in the Island have made "their escape, and as many as can will; slipping on board some "vessel or other. It were very well that some men-of-war were "ordered to Ryde, in these roads, to search all vessels that pass "about the Island." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 4].

Feb. 21. Whitehall. Passes for Mr. Noel Aubert, to go to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 171]; for James Keneady and Edward Wouten to go beyond sea; for William Philpot, with his two servants, to go to France, or any other place beyond sea; and for Edward Talbot, George Saunders, and George Shepherd, to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 172].

Feb. 22. Warrant to appoint Arthur Herbert, John, Earl of Carbery, Sir Michael Wharton, Sir Thomas Lee, Sir John Chicheley, Sir John Lowther, of Whitehaven, and [William] Sacheverill, Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 180.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. The Declaration of William and Mary, as King and Queen of England, France, and Ireland. *Printed.* [*S.P., Ireland*, 352, *No.* 1.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. Proclamation granting pardon and indemnity to those of the Kingdom of Ireland who shall lay down their arms and retire to their places of abode before 10th April next, and also granting to Roman Catholics the favour for the private exercise of their religion. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 11.]

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Feb. 22. Whitehall. Passes for Signori Innocentis Fede, Bernardo Bernardo and Jean Cazall, Italians, to go to France, and for Mrs. Mary Porter, Isabella Porter her daughter, and one maid servant, ditto. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 173.]

Feb. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Governor, &c. of Tilbury Fort to let pass the ships to the number of 36 or thereabouts, which have embarked the forces going to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 27, *and S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 178.]

Feb. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Dorset to swear William Churchhill, citizen of London, as the King's bookseller, bookbinder and stationer. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 179.]

Feb. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to the same to swear Sir John Lowther as Vice Chamberlain of the Household. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 23. An Act for removing and preventing all questions and disputes concerning the assembling and sitting of this present Parliament; enacting that the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons, convened at Westminster the 22nd day of January, 1688–9, and there sitting on the 13th day of February following, are the two Houses of Parliament, and so shall be. *Printed.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 5.]

Feb. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Lucas [Governor of the Tower]. Directing him to allow the children and relations of Sir Thomas Jenner, a prisoner in his custody, to have access to him, and that he be suffered to have the liberty of the Tower in the presence of a warder. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 33.]

Feb. 23. Whitehall. Passes for the Duchess de Bouillon, with 32 servants, to embark on board the———, whereof Capt. Gay is master, for France [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 27]; Duplicate of the above [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 173]; also for the following persons to go to France:—Mrs. Chappelle, Raphael her son, and two boys, Philip and Thomas Deligny, Charles Turner esq., and Walter Plummer, William Goodwyn, and John Davis, his servants, Ralph Sheldon, esq., and Timothy Crosse, Nicholas Upton, his servants; Thomas Wyndham, Richard Graham, esq., Richard Lane, and Thomas Thompson; Robert Gargrave, esq., William Barker, and John Barker, his servants; William Banks, esq., and Richard Harrison, and Thomas Harman, his servants; John Calvert, esq., and John Trigg, and Elizabeth Horner, his servants; Gerald Devereux, esq., and Walter Devereux, and John Taylor, his servants; John Decanter, Esq., and Matthew Wightell, his servant; Thomas Rose, Edward Commins, William Cunningham, and Thomas Rosse, their servant; Nicholas Miller, senior, Nicholas Miller junior, Thomas Bray, Jonas Watson, Henry Higgins, Richard Tildesley, John Dixy, Thomas Welsh, John Adams, with John Stoakes, David Henderson, Lachary Broome, George Aleby, Francis Smith, George Paul, John Hurry, John West, and William Kelly, their servants; Richard Hulk, Leon Wyatt, Thomas Woodcock, Aaron Wall, Robert Richardson, Jervas Haulton, Henry Robinson, John Adamson, Robert Peake,

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Thomas Shepheard, Thomas Man, Benjamin Marett, Michael Burton, Thomas Farryan, John Ullock, Richard Smith, Joseph Dufty, with John Woodcock, and Francis Wyatt, their servants; John Peach, Thomas Alsop, his servant; George Holder, and John Holder, his boy; John Marsh, and Edward Parkes, John Pattison, John Burton, his servants; William Bright, John Bulmer, William Bulmer, Francis Farne, Nicholas Chappell, William Smithson, Richard Jackson, Joseph Wood, and John Dent; Sir Thomas Morley, Penelope his lady, and Francis their daughter; Mary Whitehead, gentlewoman, with Dorothy Mecater, (?) John Holland, and Thomas West, their servants; John Lewin, and his son; John Stapleton, Daniel Fulham, Richard Hebert, Balthazar Artimo, Warnecombe Pierrepoint, his wife and son; Mrs. Waldegrave, Mary Jones, Mrs. Harnidge, Mrs. Elstone, John Hatfield, Claudius Piennett, Mrs. Blackbourne, Mrs. Aubing, Mrs. Hatfield, Gwin Evans, David Lewis, William London, and two children, Alice Thompson, Elizabeth Clarke, Bryan O'Bryan, Robert Johnson, Mr. Desarter, and 4 servants, Matthew Smith, Thomas St. John, Guy Foster, Mr. Le Point, and Peter Thomas, his servant, John Wade, Magdalen St. Paul, Thomas St. Paul, Isabella de Lattre, Rosamond Southward, Mrs. Read, and Mrs. Salvin, Walter Strickland, esq., Elizabeth Parkinson, Philippa Neptune, Mrs. Francis Hawksted, Benjamin Cotton, Humphry Northall, Richard Cotton, John Lynall, Innocentia Feady, Bernardo Alberti, Josepho Battalini, Francisco Marco, Antonio Plunket, James Seopolina, Antonio Maria Grandi, Elizabeth Marco, two servants, Humphrey Prescott, Mary Wiliams, William Shadd, Thomas Jones, two washer-women, Mr. Hide, Mr. Dixon; the officers of the buckhounds, the serjeant, his wife, four children, two maids two men, with five horses for himself, and one for each servant; the harbourers;——Jolly, his wife, three children, a maid, a man and four horses; and Babel, three horses, and a man; Lancelot Carlisle, Anthony Knight, and Thomas Pierson, yeoman with 14 horses, to each of them a servant, and five horses; James Loftus, Richard Holmes, and Thomas Atkins, yeomen, foot-huntsmen; and William Webb, Thomas Comfort, Thomas Todd, two servants and five horses, and 45 couple of hounds. [*Ibid., pp.* 173–7.]

Feb. 24. Chester. Captain James Hamilton to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I received your letter of the 21st instant this morning at Neston, where the ships ride, and as the wind is still too westerly for them to sail, I came hither to attend to your order to the officers of the customs here. In view of the importance of haste, and my inexperience, I desire to describe my actions more particularly. I was commanded to go hence with the arms and ammunition to Whitehaven, to receive more there. But finding that the *Jersey*, frigate, did not dare to deal with that coast, I agreed with Captain Beverley to ride off Ramsey Point in the Isle of Man, while I went into Whitehaven on board the *Pelican*, which had the arms.

However, as I must hire another ship at Whitehaven for the arms, unless there is a fair wind to-morrow, I shall go by land to Whitehaven for that purpose. I have already sent an express thither to order that the ammunition be made ready; and though it is 115 scurvy

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miles from this place and not within the post road I hope to arrive there by next Wednesday. The Customs here have but 48*l.* in cash and the collector is on his circuit. By reason of the sense I have of the sad condition of the people, for whom these succours are designed, I shall leave the necessary orders for the money, or so much as can be got together, to be put on board the frigate, rather than lose so much time as this matter seems to require. I doubt, but I may be delayed at Whitehaven, seeing that the stores must come 30 miles over land from Carlisle. Could not orders be sent to the officers of the customs at Whitehaven, to supply me with the necessary money for Ireland? — *Postscript, February* 25. The wind is now fair, and I am in haste to save the tide. Mr. Matthew Anderton has advanced me 595*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* upon his own credit. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 6.]

Feb. 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir John Cope. Stating that Lady Cope, the widow of his late brother, Sir Anthony Cope, is a lunatic, and that upon the lands in her jointure great waste has been done, these being upon part of the petitioner's estate in Oxfordshire. Prays that she and the estate may be committed to the custody of Thomas Wharton comptroller of the household. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 56.]

Feb. 25. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Lord Lucas of the office of chief governor of the Tower of London. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 188.]

Feb. 25. Whitehall. Passes for Claud Fourmont, Louis Menar, Jane Fallofield, Robert Blandford, senior, Robert Blandford, junior, and Luke Smith, to go to France; for Thomas Heywood and Edward Wissen, do.; for Mrs. Ann Aumont, Hern Krell, and Elizabeth Krell, do.; and for Sir Edward Baesch, do. [*Ibid., pp.* 178 *and* 179.]

Feb. 26. Whitehall. Passes for Elizabeth Foole with Mary Foster and her two daughters to go to Stirling; for Andrew Hay to pass by land from Scotland to London [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 180]; for Honor Dayell, Katherine Morfie, Ellen Sullivan and a child, Jane Willdon and Alligarty, with a child, to go to Flanders; for James Clinton and William Bruce to go to Holland; for Isaac Lafon and one servant to go to Hamburgh; and for Francis Johnson and Anthony Maynard to go to France, on board the *Penelope*. [*Ibid., p.* 181.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. Warrant for a commission appointing Sir John Maynard, sergeant-at-law, Anthony Keck, and —— Rawlinson to be keepers of the Great Seal. [*Ibid., p.* 183.]

Feb. 27. Duplicate of the above. [*Ibid., p.* 185.]

Feb. 27. The Council Chamber at Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Evans, one of the messengers of his Majesty's chamber, to arrest Sir Robert Hamilton on suspicion of high treason. [*Ibid., p.* 194.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. Warrant to Simon Chapman, a King's messenger, to proceed to Dover to recall the passports lately granted for the transport to France of persons, horses, coaches, &c., belonging to the late King James. [*Ibid., p.* 181.]

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Feb. 27. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Lucas. Directing him to grant to Charles Hales, a prisoner in the Tower, the liberty of the Tower in the presence of a warder. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 33.]

Feb. 27. Berlin. The Elector Frederick [of Brandenburgh] to the King. I am unable to express the greatness of my joy at the accomplishment of the desire I have had for several years, particuarly during the six months since Minden, for your elevation to the throne of England, which is equally due to you, by blood, and by the benefits which England and all Protestants, indeed all Europe, have received by your means. Hopes for a continuance of the King's friendship. *Holograph.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 2.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. Warrant revoking the passports granted to the ships the *John of London*, the *Penelope* ketch, or any other vessels, to transport the late King and Queen's servants, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 182.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. Passes for Christopher Hickson to go to Ireland; the like for Mons. Becheville, with three servants, to go to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 181]; and for Mrs. Anne Wessells, with three children to go to Scotland, by sea. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 182.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Proclamation requiring the bringing in of arms lately embezzled. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations*, *Vol.* 6, *No.* 12.]

Feb. 28. Proclamation for the discovery and apprehension of Robert Brent, gentleman. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 13.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Matthew Anderton collector of customs, at Chester. I have received your letter of the 24th instant which gives an account of the 595*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.* lent by you to Captain James Hamilton and I have acquainted the Lords of the Treasury with the service you have done. They have promised me to receive the King's directions for your being reimbursed this sum, and also what shall be further or advanced to the said Captain Hamilton towards completing the 1,000*l.* which his Majesty ordered to be taken upon credit for this occasion; the due payment whereof you may depend. upon. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 33.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. The same to William Jackson, Mayor of Bristol. I have received your letter of the 23rd instant, which I have laid before his Majesty, who declares that the keys of the City shall be kept by you and not by the officer commanding the forces quartered there, which you are to signify to Lieut.-Col. Brewer, and I do not question but he will acquiesce therein. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 34.]

Feb. 28. A certificate, signed E. Griffith, stating that the writer knows Edmond Donellan, of Cloghan (?) in the county of Roscommon, to be a very honest gentleman and a good Protestant of the church of England, and that his son James Donellan, late of the Middle Temple, at whose request this certificate is given, is also reputed to be a good Protestant. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 7.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir James Grant, being upon the King's service, with a horse and guide, to go to Edinburgh. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 182.]

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Feb. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to commit James, Earl of Arran, to the Tower, for treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 183.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for Arthur Herbert to give such orders to the Commissioners and Officers of the Navy, as shall be necessary for the service, till a Lord High Admiral, or Commissioners for that office, be appointed. [*Ibid., p.* 184.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of Keeper of the Privy Seal to to George, Marquis of Halifax. [*Ibid., p.* 192.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to grant the office of Solicitor-General to Sir George Treby, knt. [*Ibid., p.* 197.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Joseph Avis and William Anderson, his servant, to go to Shrewsbury and to return; for George King, ditto.; for Lord Glamis, and his two servants to go to Edinburgh; for Major Littleton to go to Huntingdon [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 184]; for Francis Bridgman, to go to France: for Mr. Maldronet. Feb. 28. Whitehall. to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 185]; and for Edward Carew, esquire, to go to Flanders. [*Ibid., p.* 197.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to swear John, Lord Lovelace, as Captain of the band of pensioners. [*Ibid., p.* 185.]

Feb. Draft Bill, "For the better manifestation of the duty and allegiance of their Majesties' subjects and security of their Government." [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 8.]

[Feb. to June.] A book of rough memoranda of Parliamentary matters classified under the following heads:—House of Lords, containing rules of procedure in the Commons upon a message from the Lords, &c.; Conferences, relating to procedure upon conferences between the two Houses; Privileges, as to whom the privileges of the House extend; Orders, as to the Chairman and attendance at the Committees of the House; Elections, giving the franchise for Poole, Wallingford, Dunwich, Old Sarum, East Grinstead, New Radnor, New Windsor, "Michell," Southampton, and Abingdon; Divisions of the House; Matters remarkable; and Votes. [*Ibid. No.* 9.]

Feb. to June. William Churchill's bill for stationery. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 498.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to Francis Clarke, a messenger, to arrest Major Ambrose Norton, —— Phillpott, and Thomas Orby, to answer certain charges relating to dangerous practices against the Government. [*Ibid., p.* 193.]

Mar. 1. A like warrant to Henry Eyles for the arrest of James Grahme, Sir Theophilus Oglethorpe, and Charles Orby; and to Henry Leggatt, to arrest Sir John Fenwick, Sir John Talbot, and Edward Sackville, esq. [*Ibid., p.* 194.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. Warrant making void all passports issued to Holland, France, or Flanders, unless produced at the port of embarkation within eight

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days from the date of issue; abuses having been committed by persons to whom passes have been granted, in sending them backward and forward for conveying away such as were not intended to have any benefit of the same. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 191.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Mr. Pollexfen, of the office of Attorney-General. [*Ibid., p.* 187.]

Mar. 1. The like for a grant to Sir George Treby, knt., of the office of Solicitor-General. *See before under February 28th.* [*Ibid., p.* 190.]

Mar. 1. The like, addressed to the Attorney-General of the Duchy or to Check Gerard, Clerk of the said Duchy or his deputy, for a grant of the office of Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster to Robert, Lord Willoughby of Eresby; to hold and execute that office for and during our pleasure, with all powers, rights, privileges, and advantages thereto belonging in as full and ample a manner as Sir Thomas Chichley, Sir Robert Carr, or any former Chancellor exercised the same. [*Ibid., pp.* 187 *and* 193.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to [the Governor of the Tower]. It is his Majesty's pleasure that the Right Honorable the Countess of Arran have access, at reasonable hours, to the Earl of Arran, her husband, now in the Tower, together with his other relations, physicians, and surgeons. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 34.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. The same to the officer commanding the forces at Ware. You may release Mr. Primrose, who was stopped at Ware, on his way to Scotland, some of his friends having undertaken that he shall return to London. [*Ibid., p.* 35.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for the Laird of Yester and Sir Francis Scott, with two servants, to go to Edinburgh; the like for them, with four horses; the like for Mr. Richard Marshall, to go from Barnet to Nantwich [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 186]; for Sir Duncan Campbell, his lady, Lady Scott, their children, and three servants to go to Edinburgh; for Mr. James Flecher and Mr. Thomas Bruce to pass by sea to Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 190]; for the Earl of Annandale, with the Earl of Panmure ? and Mr. Maule, to go to Edinburgh; for the Earl of Lothian, with his servants and horses, to go to Edinburgh [*Ibid., p.* 191]; for Mr. Joseph Avis to go to Shrewsbury; for Mr. James Fletcher and Mr. Thomas Bruce* to go by sea into Scotland; for Mr. James Donellan, with his two servants, Thomas Wall and George Smith, to go to Ireland; and for John la Rose to go beyond seas. [*Ibid., p.* 192.]

Mar. 2. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Charles, Earl of Wiltshire, of the office of Chamberlain to the Queen. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 196.]

Mar. 2. Whitehall. The like for a grant of the office of Master of the Horse to Henry Overkirk. [*Ibid., p.* 204].

Mar. 2. Whitehall. The letter to swear the said Henry Overkirk as Master of the Horse. [*Ibid., p.* 205.]

* This pass also appears in *H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 34.

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Mar. 2. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Tobias Butler, his wife, and two children, to go to Newport in Flanders, and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 192.]; for Sir Roger Martyn, and his son, to go to his house in Suffolk [*Ibid.*, *p.* 194]; for the Countess of Argyll to go to Scotland and to return; and for the Archbishop of Glasgow, with the Bishop of Edinburgh, and two servants, to go to Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 195.]

Mar. 3. Zell. George William Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg to the King. I hope your Majesty will do me justice to believe that no one can be more pleased than I am at your elevation to the throne. I have sent the Baron de Schutz to convey my congratulations and to discuss the present state of affairs. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 3.]

Mar. 3. Post-warrant for Sir William Strickland, bart., and his two servants and four horses to go to York. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 195.]

Mar. $\frac{3}{13}$. Hanover. Ernest Augustus Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg to the King. Letter of credence for the Baron de Schutz who is sent as an envoy to congratulate the King on his accession to the throne. *Holograph*, [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 4.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Gravesend. The King having directed some horses, watches and money, belonging to the late envoy from Modena to be restored to him, you are to give to the bearer any of the goods now in your hands, to be conveyed to the Swedish Envoy, who is authorised to receive them. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 35].

Mar. 4. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Parker, His Majesty, making distinction between "the late King and the late Queen's goods, the latter of which are "allowed to pass" you may discharge the *Penelope* ketch, and suffer her to pursue her voyage. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. Passes for Mr. Ralph Sheldon to go from London to Dover, and there to embark for France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 194]; for William Fowlis, esq. to go to Ingleby, to Sir David Fowlis's house in Yorkshire [*Ibid.*, *p.* 195]; for John Noble, of Shrewsbury a linendraper, stopped at Barnet going home post, to go from Barnet to Shrewsbury; for Nicholas Belau to go to France; for Mr. George King, with his wife, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hugot, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 196]; and for Sir William Strickland, bart., to go to York and to return. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 197.]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Gravesend. Directing him to arrest certain dangerous persons who are about to convey themselves beyond the seas. *List of the Names.* Passengers by the *John*, of London:—John Joice alias Jousy, bound for Bordeaux, Thomas Burk, late soldier in the Duke of Grafton's regiment, James Drummond of the Scotch Horse Guards, Owen McCartye, Adjutant to Col. Macellicot. John Scot, ensign in Colonel Bohun's regiment, Major Darby Macarty, late Town Major at Portsmouth, Gilbert Hara,

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ensign to Captain Smith, William Cantwell, sergeant to Lord Litchfeild's regiment, Alexander Petree, a pretended seaman, Garret Barry and Cornelius Mahan, troopers in Lord Salisbury's regiment. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 37.]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Liverpool. His Majesty approves your diligence "in securing the constable and master of the vessel, who "have been so busy about providing quarters, and a passage for "Irish soldiers." You are to inform me what has become of the soldiers; It is strange that the magistrates should not have taken notice of the collection of so many "dangerous disaffected persons." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Gravesend. Directing him to give the bearer all letters and papers secured by the master of the *Penelope* ketch, and to forward any information he may have as to the passengers on board that vessel. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. Warrant for a *congé d'elire* to the Dean and Chapter of Salisbury to elect a Bishop, the see being vacant by the death of Dr. Seth Ward; and for a letter recommending Dr. Barnett for election [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 222.]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. Warrant to James Kitson, messenger, to arrest John Joyce, master of the ship *John* of London, now at Gravesend. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 201.]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. Passes for James Hyard, Mary Hyard and Louis Coins (?) Bouvquignon to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 194.]; for Captain Robert Wroth to go from Waltham to Cambridge [*Ibid.*, *p.* 197]; for the following Dutch Officers to go to Holland, to recruit their respective regiments; Lieutenant General Monpouillar's regiment—Adam Hogheven, cornet; Jervise Divellinghe, waghtesmester, Louis Davnel, and Jervis Johnson, corporals; Lieutenant-General Ginckell's regiment —— Keppell, lieutenant; —— Jentes, waghtesmester, William Nicholas, and Abel Hendricks, corporals; Major-General Scravenmoer's regiment —— Rocbart, lieutenant; William Hansen, lieutenant, Christopher Scorcke, waghtesmester; The Count of Lippe's regiment —— Roer, lieutenant; Maurice Telman, waghtesmester, Louis Delnoe, ditto, Hern Wolters, corporal. Colonel Zuilestein's regiment. —— Briteswitez, captain, —— Cattepal, cornet; —— Keybert, waghtesmester; Andrew Vaiedenet ditto; Colonel Schake's regiment. —— Fabrien, cornet; —— Spien, quartermaster, Uxrel (?) ditto; Colonel Oyen's regiment —— Diverk Wankie, cornet; Colonel Rietesel's Regiment —— Drumond, lieutenant, Champagne De Haas, and Rodolphe Westkinck, waghtesmesters; Colonel Boncour's regiment —— Reyphenberg, cornet [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 198-9.]; for Sir Francis Scott to go to Edinburgh and to return; for Lieut-Gen. Douglas and Lieut. Dalziel, ditto; for Mons. François de Pernes, and his servant, Antoine Boulogne, to go back into France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 200]; and for Sir Edward Smith, his brother, his children, and servants, to go to his house in Durham. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 219.]

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Mar. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Balthazar la Franke, merchant, of Newport, a subject of Spain, stating that his vessel the *Stephen*, of Dublin, laden with hides, has been taken by a Flushing privateer and brought into Dover. Prays that the said ship may be discharged Referred to the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom, Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 55.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Heneage Norton and Thomas Bird, who state that they have considerable stores of wine and brandy in France, and pray that, considering the appearance of war, they may have a blank pass for a French vessel to bring the goods to England. Referred to the Committee for Trade and Plantations. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. A Commission for Colonel Charles Trelawney to be Brigadier of Horse and Foot. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 64.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Herbert, directing him to recall Captain Killigrew and the frigate *Sapphire*, in consequence of the advice received by him from Cadiz.—[*Postscript.*] Your other letter was laid before the Commissioners for Irish Affairs. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 38.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Warrant to James Kitson, messenger, to arrest William Groate. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 201.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of Master of the Rolls to Henry Powle, Speaker of the House of Commons. [*Ibid., p.* 214.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Christopher Lovet, with Alderman John Rogerson, to go to Chester and to return; for James Barre, with his two servants, James (*sic*) Barr and Charles Gray, to go to Ireland; for Mrs. Grace Fulham, Mrs. Thoms, and seven children, to go to Edinburgh; for John Anderson and William Carstaires, to go to Glasgow; and for James Dobbins, to go to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 202.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Warrant for a blank pass to be sent into France for Mons. Lillieroot, the Swedish Envoy, for a ship to carry his goods to Holland and to return to France. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 7. Whitehall. Warrant for the *Penelope*, whereof —— Anderson is master, to pass upon the production of a certificate of an officer of the Customs that there are no other goods in the ship than those belonging to the late Queen, her servants, or the passengers on board, named in a list annexed to the pass granted to the said ship. [*Ibid., p.* 207.]

Mar. 7. Proclamation by the Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland against those raising disorders in the province of Ulster and town of Sligo. *Printed.* [*S.P., Ireland* 352, *No.* 2.]

Mar. 7. Whitehall. Pass for Octavio Browne to go to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 202]; for Sir James Lesly, to go to Berwick-upon-Tweed; for James Lake, servant of Sir James Lesly, to go to

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Berwick-upon-Tweed; for Sir Alexander Bruce, to go to Scotland; for William Smith, to go to North Nibley, Gloucestershire; for the Earl of Leven, to go to Scotland; for Lieut. Frederick Moll, to go to Flanders; for Richard Needham to go to Grantham, Lincolnshire; for John Anderson and William Castairs, to go from London to Edinburgh; and for John Suple, to go to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 203.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Robert Drummond, stating that a ship of his, sailing towards the Straits, and laden with 260 barrels of powder, had been seized [at Dover] by order of Lord Dartmouth; prays for satisfaction and for the post of captain of the same ship. The matter was referred to Mr. Secretary Pepys, who reported (19th February, 1688-9) as to the value of the hull, rigging, &c., of the *Richard and John*, the vessel in question. Pepys also stated that she was seized by command of the late King and was in the service of the present King as a fireship, and recommended that the value be paid to the petitioner. The King directs orders to be given to the Treasury for the payment of the amount. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 57.]

Mar. 8. Amsterdam. Lord Sunderland to the King. "If I had not followed the advice of my friends rather than my own sense, I should not have been out of England at this time; for I thought I had served the publick so importantly in contributing what lay in me towards the advancing of your glorious undertaking, that the having been in an odious ministry ought not to have obliged me to be absent; but nothing makes me repine so much at it as that I could not give my vote for placing your Majesty on the throne, as I would have done with as much joy and zeal as any man alive: and do now most heartily wish you all the greatness and prosperity you deserve, which is to wish you more than any man ever had." Thanks His Majesty for setting him at liberty and expresses his devotion. *Holograph. Partly printed by Sir John Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 5.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Lundy [Governor of Londonderry]. I am commanded by the King to acquaint you that his greatest concern hath been for Ireland, and particularly for the province of Ulster, which he looks upon as most capable to defend itself against the common enemy: and that they might be the better enabled to do it, there are two regiments already at the sea-side ready to embark for that province, with which will be sent a good quantity of arms and ammunition. And they will be speedily followed by so considerable a body as, by the blessing of God, may be able to rescue the whole kingdom and resettle the Protestant interest there. His Majesty very much relies upon your fidelity and resolution, not only that you should acquit yourself according to the character he has received of you, but that you should encourage and influence others, in this difficult conjuncture, to discharge their duties to their country, their religion, and their posterity, all which call upon them for a more than ordinary vigour to keep out that deluge of popery and slavery which so nearly threatens them. And you may assure them that besides his

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Majesty's care for their preservation, who hath a due tenderness and regard for them, as well in consideration that they are his subjects, as that they are now exposed for the sake of that religion which he himself professes, the whole bent of the nation inclines them to employ their utmost endeavours for their deliverance; and it was but this very morning that his Majesty hath most effectually recommended the case of Ireland to the two Houses of Parliament, and I do not doubt but they will thereupon immediately come to such resolutions as will show to all the world that they espouse their interest as their own. As to your own particular, you will always find the King graciously disposed to own and reward the services you shall do him in such a time of trial: and for my part whatever I can contribute, either to the general service of that kingdom or to your own particular satisfaction, shall never be wanting. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 39.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. Warrant to Robert, Lord Willoughby d'Eresby, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, to cause new seals to be made and engraved for use in the courts of that jurisdiction. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 207.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Churchill, Lieutenant-General of the Forces, to provide for the embarkation of the troops that are destined for Holland, under the provisions of the treaty of alliance; these forces consist of "two battalions of the first regiment of foot-guards; two "battalions of the coldstream regiment of guards; the royal regi- "ment of foot; Prince George, Hereditary Prince of Denmark's "regiment; Colonel Charles Churchill's regiment; the royal regi- "ment of fusiliers; and Colonel Robert Hodges' regiment." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 209.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Charles, Earl of Macclesfield of the office of President of the Council of Wales, and of the Marches thereof. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 205.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The like for a grant of the office of one of the Principal Secretaries of State to Charles, Earl of Shrewsbury, with the fee of 100*l.* a year, and other rights belonging. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 44.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. Appointment of Sir Charles Porter, knight, as one of the King's Counsel. [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 208.]

Mar. 8. The like for William Cooper. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Captain Fetherstonhalgh to go to his quarters at Stamford, and to return; for Griffith Lloyd, B.D., to go to "Abborthanet," [Abbertanant?] Montgomeryshire. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 204]; for Lord Elphinstone and Dr. Robert Acott and two servants to go to Edinburgh [*Ibid.*, *p.* 205]; for Sir Rowland Bellasis to go to Sutton, in Cheshire, and thence to Manchester; for Henry Bishop to go to Portsmouth; for the Earl of Melvill to go to Edinburgh; for Corbett Nevison to go to Leicester and to return; for Captain Matthew Rugeley to go to Berwick; and for Lieut. Michael Baker, Ensign Villers Carleton, Ensign Samazon, and William King to go to Berwick. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 206].

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Mar. 9. Whitehall. Appointment of John Conyers as one of the King's Counsel. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 208.]

Mar. 9. A caveat that no grant pass to any person the office of Town Clerk of Leeds, in Yorkshire, till notice be given to Castilian Morris of Leeds, the present Town Clerk, or to Edward Copley of Gray's Inn. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 3.]

Mar. 9. Notification from Daniel Earl of Nottingham, Principal Secretary of State, to Sir John Banks, that the City of Rochester desires to be heard before any new grant pass for a market to be held at Chatham. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 9. Notification from the Principal Secretary of State to the Controller of the Household, that the King has been pleased to give to Mr. William Carr the place of one of the Cursitor Barons. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 9. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to John, Lord Lovelace, of the office of Warden, Chief Justice, and Justice in Eyre of the royal parks, forests, chaces and warrens, "this side the Trent." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 278.]

Mar. 9. Whitehall. Passes for Thomas Dancer to go from Barnet to Chester; for Robert Stewart to go to Dublin; for Ann Murphy, and three children, to go to Scotland; for Hugy Moren and Thomas Randall to go to France; and for the Earl of Dunmore to go to Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 207.]

Mar. 10. Hampton Court. Warrant to —— D'Allone, or any of the King's messengers, to search for and seize certain books and papers belonging to the late King James, supposed to be in the possession of Heywood, sometime closet-keeper to the late King, or in that of his son. [*Ibid., p.* 209.]

Mar. 10–28. Copies and abstracts of correspondence between Frances, Countess of Portland, and Matthew Andrewes, M.P., concerning the repairs to a house held by the said Mr. Andrewes of the Countess. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 10.]

Mar. 10. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants, for the Earl of Selkirk to go to Edinburgh [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 210]; for David Carne (?) to go to Ireland; and for the same to go to Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 213].

Mar. 11. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Basset, esquire, stating that he is unduly kept out of possession of three shares of land, whereof his father was seized in fee, in Bermuda, and praying that he may be allowed to make good his cause before the Committee of Trade and Plantations. Referred to that committee for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 6.]

Mar. 11 Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Vaughan, parochial minister of the parish of St. George, in Bermuda, stating on behalf of himself and the other four parochial ministers in the island, that since the dissolution of the Bermuda Company they have had no salaries but the benevolence of the poor inhabitants, and desiring that the royalty of the whale fishery, which belonged to the said

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company, may be granted in trust to them and their successors. Referred to the committee for Trade and Plantations. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 7.]

Mar. 11. Amsterdam. Lady Sunderland to the King. The relief I had by your Majesty's justice and grace, from the sharpest apprehensions that ever I lay under, may, I hope, be allowed a sufficient plea for the liberty I now take to present you my most humble acknowledgments for that great charity of yours. I was always devoted to your service, and but hope for so much of your Majesty's favour as to live quietly in a country where you have so much power, till it shall please God to let me end my days at my own home. [*Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 6.]

Mar. 11. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir William Waller, knt., to apprehend any priests, papists, and reputed papists, lying hid in and about the cities of London and Westminster, contrary to the laws of the land. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book,* 34, *p.* 211.]

Mar. 11. Whitehall. Warrant directing the constable at Greenhithe to deliver to Mrs. Dumare, a French Protestant, a trunk of goods seized, some time since, in a ship that was carrying the same to France, upon pretence that they were goods belonging to Papists. [*Ibid., p.* 214.]

Mar. 11. Whitehall. Passes, or post-warrants, for John Shepardson, Thomas Jackson, and Mr. Harrison, to go to Durham; for Archibald Primrose to go to Scotland; for William Westley to go to Staffordshire and Lancashire; for David Carne to go to Scotland; for Capt. MacCrahen, Lieut. Robert Irwing, and Lieut. Alexander Gawne, to go from London to Ipswich [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 211]; for Capt. George Meese to go to Holyhead; for Ensign Nathaniel Turner to go to Liverpool [*Ibid., p.* 212]; for Basil Fitzgerald, Mr. Manby, Mr. Howard, and Mr. Floyd to go to Stafford; for John Kinsmall and his sister to go to France; for Capt. John South to go to Derby [*Ibid., p.* 213]; and for Francis Manby to go to Lincoln. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 44.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. The King to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. In consideration of the numerous petitions presented both by the King's subjects, who have suffered losses from fire, shipwreck, or by being captured by enemies or pirates, and by strange christians, enforced to fly hither for their religion's sake, praying for patents of license, under the Great Seal, to make collection of voluntary and charitable alms, without incurring any penalty; the King has resolved to authorise you to issue such warrants, or briefs, for making collections in such places, and for as long a time as shall seem fit according to the quality of the person and the quantity of their losses. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 1.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. The same to the same. In consideration of the right given to us by our royal prerogative to have the custody of idiots and the profits of their estates, and also to have the custody of lunatics, but not the profits of their estates, and seeing that such idiots and

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lunatics and their estates were from the erection, until the disuse, of the Court of Wards and Liveries in the governance of that court and are now in our immediate care, we have determined to entrust you with the care and commitment of such idiots and lunatics, and their estates, as shall be so found by inquisition returnable into the Court of Chancery; and for this purpose you are empowered to issue warrants and orders without expecting any further warrant from us. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 2.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Warrant to the Attorney-General to prepare a signed bill appointing Robert, Lord Lucas, Lieutenant of the Tower Hamlets Militia in succession to the Earl of Dartmouth. [*Ibid., p.* 7.]

Mar. 12. The like for a bill appointing Charles, Marquis of Winchester, Warder and Keeper of the New Forest, the manor and park of Lyndhurst, and the hundred of Redbridge. [*Ibid., and S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 225.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Lucas. Directing him to allow the Earl of Salisbury, a prisoner in the Tower, the liberty of the Tower. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 39.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Gregory Hascard, Dean of Windsor, stating that Dr. Saumares, one of the prebendaries of St. George's Chapel, "by the assistance of the French ambassador's "priests, and other papists, and by false suggestions, did obtain "from the Ministers of the late King, severall illegal orders, very "injurious to your petitioner, and hath done many things contrary "to the statutes, the peace, government, and undoubted rights of "the said chapel," and praying that the matter may be inquired into by the Attorney General. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 58.]

Mar. 12. Proceeding upon the petition of Christopher Vane, of Raby Castle, stating that his grandfather, Sir Henry Vane, held the office of Chief Keeper and Warden of the forest of Teesdale and chace of Marwood-Hagg in Durham, entailed upon his heirs male; which office, in the lifetime of the petitioner's father, was seized, and has been detained, under pretence of a forfeiture. Prays that the office may be restored to him. Referred to the Treasury for report thereon. [*Ibid., p.* 59.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Warrant for appointing William, Earl of Kingston, Lord Lieutenant for the county of Nottingham. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 4.]

Mar. 12. The like for William, Earl of Devonshire, for the county of Derby. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Henry, Duke of Norfolk, for the counties of Berks Surrey and Norfolk, and the city of Norwich and county of the same. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Thomas Viscount Fauconberg, for the North Riding of Yorkshire. [*Ibid.*]

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Mar. 12. Whitehall. The like for the Earl of Northampton, for the county of Warwick. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 4.]

Mar. 12. The like for Charles, Marquis of Winchester, for the county of Southampton. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for William, Lord Paget, for the county of Stafford. [*Ibid. p.* 5.]

Mar. 12. The like for Thomas, Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, for the county of Wilts. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Charles, Earl of Dorset and Middlesex, for the county of Sussex. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Thomas, Earl of Danby, for the West Riding of Yorkshire. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for the Earl of Manchester for the county of Huntingdon. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Aubery, Earl of Oxford, for the county of Essex. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 13. The like for Francis, Viscount Newport, for the county of Salop. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for John, Earl of Bristol, for the county of Dorset. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Heneage, Earl of Winchelsea, for the county of Kent, and city of Canterbury and county of the same. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for John, Earl of Rutland, for the county of Leicester. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Robert, Earl of Lindsey, for the county of Lincoln, and city of Lincoln and county of the same. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for James, Earl of Abingdon, for the county of Oxford. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for John, Earl of Bath, for the counties of Cornwall and Devon and city of Exeter and county of the same. [*Ibid.*)

Mar. 12. The like for John, Earl of Bridgwater, for the county of Buckingham. [*Ibid., p.* 6.]

Mar. 12. The like for William Richard George, Earl of Derby, for the county of Chester and city of Chester and county of the same. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. The like for Viscount Fitzharding for the county of Somerset. [*Ibid., p.* 6.]

Mar. 12. The like for William, Earl of Bedford, for the county of Bedford. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. Similar warrants for the appointment of Lords Lieutenant. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *pp.* 245–7.]

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Mar. 12. Captain Patrick Barnewall to the King. My misfortunes lead me to beg your protection against Major Floyd's dishonourable dealings with me. After forcing a quarrel with me, "in which soe much fell to his lot that he did not apeare abrode in severall days," he challenged me to meet him the next day. Instead of appearing, he sent for me to dine with him and "we composed all our differences." After this he "scandalusly affronted me about my company's tents, and I was going to forsake your service." Thereon "I writ to him somewhat sharper than otherwise I would have done," but had no thoughts of challenging him; he however took my letter as a challenge. Asks for the King's pardon, and that he may be allowed to return to England where he can do better service than in Ireland by discovering enemies. Asks to know the King's pleasure by "my unkle de Heer van Latssatt." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest 5, No. 7.*]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of one of the Principal Secretaries of State to Daniel, Earl of Nottingham. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, p. 210.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Leggatt and Frances Clarke, messengers, to search for and apprehend Colonel Lacy, Captain Henry Crofton, Captain John Prendergast, and Lieutenant Richard Tuke, being Papists or reputed Papists, and suspected of dangerous practices against the Government. [*Ibid., p.* 215.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. The like for the arrest of Colonel Robert Ramsay, Captain Rowland Smith, Captain Edward Witherington, and Captain Blount. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Warrant, addressed to Dr. Robert Brady, Mr. Robert Halstead, and all others "concerned in the keeping of the records in the Tower of London" appointing William Petit of the Inner Temple "to have the custody of the said records and to take care of them," and ordering them to deliver to him the keys and possession of the chambers and places where the records are kept, together with the records and all calendars, books, and papers, relating to the same. [*Ibid., p.* 216.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Thomas Beach, Thomas Brooker, William Cooles, George Thornton, Henry Corne, and Thomas Seale* to go to Northumberland, Cumberland, and Westmorland; for Leicester Blunt and Mr. Smith to embark at Dover for France; for Peter de Fos to go to Flanders; for the Duke of Somerset Thomas Brooker, auditor, William Coles, clerk to the steward, George Thornton, servant to the auditor, Henry Corne and Tho. Seale, servants to the steward, to go to Northumberland, Cumberland, and Westmorland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book, p.* 213]; for Robert Cleeseley to go to Edinburgh [*Ibid., p.* 214]; and for John Dalton to go to Northumberland and return. [*Ibid., p.* 215.]

Mar 13. Whitehall. List of the ships in sea pay: 17 third rate, 22 fourth rate, 7 fifth rate, and 7 sixth rate ships, 15 fireships, and 8 yachts, getting out

* These seem to be the same persons included below in the Duke of Somerset's pass.

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their commanders, men, guns; the list shows where the ships then were, and in what readiness they were for sea. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 8.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. Appointment of John Osborne as King's Counsel. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 217.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Captain Auchimonty, Captain Cunningham and Lieut. Robert Irwing to go to Ipswich and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 215]; for Thomas Sandys to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 216]; for Reginald Bretland, of Gray's Inn, to go to Derby and return; for Thomas Starkey to go to Cheshire; for Colonel Trelawney to go to Exeter and Plymouth; for Petrus Dieschi to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 217]; and for Sir Matthew Bridges, Colonel Cunningham, Captain Ruth, Captain King, and Lieut. Philips, to go to Liverpool. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 220.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Michael and John Baker, gentlemen, stating that they enjoyed the office of marshall of the Marshallsea of the Court of Exchequer, in the reigns of the late Kings Charles and James, and praying the King to renew the grant of that place to them, they having been faithful to the Protestant interest. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 7.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Roger Langley, bart., stating that the late King Charles the Second, in 1671, granted to the petitioner the reversion of the place of a Commissioner for Appeals and Regulating the duty of Excise; that most of the said Commissioners are long since dead, but that he has been for many years kept out of what was intended for him, and praying that his name may be put into the next Commission. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 8.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Oliver praying to be continued in the office of master mason of his Majesty's works. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 9.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Chester expressing approval of his conduct in stopping Major Matthews and Mr. Barry from crossing over to Ireland. Mr. Barry had received a pass for himself and two servants, which he used to leave his servants behind and "to convey away such as he could not but know that "it was not his Majesty's intention that they should be passed "away." Any other persons suspected of escaping to Ireland should be detained. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 39.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Liverpool. Granting him permission to discharge the master and constable of a vessel suspected of providing provisions for the Irish soldiers [*see letter of* 5 *March*] if he is satisfied they will offend no more. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 40.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Directing them to cause a brief to be prepared for the relief of the "poor

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protestants of Ireland," who have sought refuge in England, in the manner used in the case of the French protestants; enclosing an Order of the Privy Council and a petition from the protestant refugees. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 40.] *Enclosing*—

(1.) *The Order in Council referred to.* [*Ibid.*]

(2.) *The Petition.* "*Your petitioners, with great hazard of their* "*lives have withdrawn themselves from Ireland, being forced to* "*relinquish all their estates and substance, both reall and personall,* "*which, since their departure, is seized and possessed by the Irish* "*Papists, out of meer hatred to their religion and nation; whereby* "*multitudes of your distressed petitioners, who were formerly able* "*to relieve and supply the necessityes of others, are now reduced to* "*such poverty and distresse that without timely relief and assist-* "*ance both they and their families, whereof many of them are very* "*numerous, must inevitably perish.*" [*Ibid.*, *p.* 41.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Chiffinch. Directing him to search the ship *Ann*, bound for Leith, for suspected persons and especially for one Ann Murphy, who has a pass for herself and three children, which she has used to convey on board three Papist soldiers, of whom two are Irishmen. The ship is to be detained. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 41.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. The same to Captain Henry Fielding. Having seen your letters to Lord Lucas and Sir John Hanmer, his Majesty approves of your conduct in seizing Major Matthews and Mr. Barry. I hope you have secured that master of a vessel who has been carrying men and advices "to the disservice of his Majesty." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 42.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Warrant for restitution of temporalities to Thomas, Archbishop of York, to commence from the day of his translation from Exeter. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 7.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Sir Richard Raines. The Dutch Ambassador, having presented the inclosed Memorial and paper to the King, his Majesty commands me to transmit them to you and to acquaint you that he would have you examine the matter complained of, and see that the usual order be issued thereon. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 1.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Passes for Claudis Bologne to go to Flanders; for James Baker to go to Berwick; for Lieut. Baker to go to his quarters at Berwick; ten blank passes, delivered to Mr. Smithby, for the Earl of Kingston's officers [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 218]; and for John Kerton, servant to Capt. Kimmersley, to go to Lichfield. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 220.]

Mar. 15. Warrant to Francis Clarke, messenger, to arrest Robert Erwin, lieutenant in the Royal Regiment of foot. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 219.]

Mar. 15. Whitehall. Appointment of Sir William Dolben as a Justice of the King's Bench; Sir John Powle, as Justice of the Common Pleas, and Sir Edward Nevill as one of the Barons of the Exchequer. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 220.]

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Mar. 15. Whitehall. Directions to John, Lord Lovelace, Captain of our Band of Pensioners, to admit Henry Heveningham, as a lieutenant of the same band. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 223.]

Mar. 15. A caveat that no charter or confirmation do pass for the town of Chipping Sodbury, in the county of Gloucester, until Mr. John Lilly of Clifford's Inn, be heard on behalf of Mr. Stephens. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 3.]

Mar. 15. A caveat to the Clerk of the Signet that no charter or confirmation pass for the town of Chipping Sodbury, until notice be given to the Earl of Nottingham. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 4.]

Mar. 15. Proceedings upon the petition of John Dutton Colt, recounting his sufferings in the Protestant cause, and praying for a collector's place in the Port of Bristol. Granted, and an Order sent to the Treasury to carry out the appointment. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 60.]

Mar. 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to [the Lords of the Council]. Enclosing a list of the persons whose names are to be inserted in the commissions of the peace for the different counties of England and Wales. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 42.]

Mar. 15. Whitehall. Passes for Capt. Fairlow, Capt. Caulfield, and Mr. Philips to go to Warrington, in Lancashire [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 218]; for a person unnamed to go to Sir John Edgworth's regiment; and for William Cecil to go to Nottingham "or thereabouts." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 220.]

Mar. 16. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Thomas Philips, second engineer of England, &c. Stating that, having served in places of trust for 15 years, and having held the office of second engineer, and being now commanded upon service for Ireland, he desires that the sum of 661*l.* due to him from the Ordnance Office, may be paid him to enable him to go upon that service. Referred to Marshal Schomberg together with a paper, being a bill of the petitioner's expenses and dues in Tangier, Flanders, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 9.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Treasury. Upon a vacancy occurring among the Commissioners of the Alienation Office, the name of Mr. Sanderson, son of Lord Castleton, is to be mentioned to the King. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 43.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Jonathan, bishop of Bristol, of the Deanery of St. Buryan, in the county of Cornwall, and Diocese of Exeter, void by the translation of Thomas, bishop of Exeter, to the Archbishopric of York. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 7.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Jonathan, Bishop of Bristol, of the rectory of Shobrooke, in the county of Devon, and diocese of Exeter, void by the translation of Thomas, Bishop of Exeter, rector of the said rectory, to the Archbishopric of York. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 8.]

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Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for a congé d'elire to the Dean and Chapter of Exeter to choose as bishop, in the place of Dr. Thomas Lamplugh, translated to the Archbishopric of York, Jonathan [Trelawney, bart.] Bishop of Bristol. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 8.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant appointing Charles, Earl of Shrewsbury, Lieutenant of the county of Hertford, during the minority of the Earl of Essex. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 21.]

Mar. 16. Proclamation announcing their Majesties intended Coronation on the 11th April of next. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 14.]

Mar. 16. Proclamation declaring those officers and soldiers now in arms against the King and Queen, and those corresponding and adhering to them, traitors and rebels. [*Ibid., No.* 15.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Sending, by the King's directions, a list of justices for the Isle of Ely. The King desires Sir Oliver Butler to be added to the list for Kent, the Marquis of Winchester to be *Custos Rotulorum* for Hants, and William Powlett, of the Middle Temple, to be first and chief judge of the counties of Glamorgan, Brecknock, and Radnor, or chief judge of the Pembrokeshire circuit. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 43.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Carlisle, or Officer of Customs there. You are to endeavour to discover and apprehend "all such Irish Papists as shall be found making their escapes into Ireland." Many of them that shall be so taken are likely to be without means of subsistence. In order that these may not be lost for want of a moderate provision, nor be a burthen to the country, they are to be allowed sixpence a day for their support; while, "to such "of them as have been officers in the army, His Majesty is willing "to allow the half of the pay they had when in command." Information is to be given of any arrests that may be made. Memorandum "that the like letter was sent to Whitehaven, Liverpool, "Chester, Holyhead, Beaumaris, Milford Haven, Bristol, Minehead, "St. Ives, and Padstow." [*Ibid., p.* 45.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Baron. The vessel *Ann* may be allowed to proceed to Scotland; but Ann Murphy, and the three persons she was taking with her, are to be set on shore before the ship sails. Persons proceeding to Scotland are to be detained; if they are suspected of ill designs, or of passing to Ireland by that route. [*Ibid.*, p. 43.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Enclosing a draft Commission—the purport of which does not appear—directed to the Lord President, Lord Privy Seal, Duke of Norfolk, Marquis of Winchester, Lord Great Chamberlain, Lord Steward, Lord Chamberlain, Earl of Shrewsbury, Viscount Newport, Bishop of London, Lord Mountagu, Sir William Dolben, and Sir John Powell, and directing that it be passed at once under the Great Seal. [*Ibid., p.* 44.]

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Mar. 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. The King wishes to have, for service in the narrow seas, and in the Mediterranean, as many ships as will make up the number of those now at sea to fifty (besides the convoys for the West Indies); together with fifteen small ships and vessels and eight fire-ships. Of these fifty ships, one must be a second-rate, seventeen third-rates, and the remainder may be fourth-rates. A list of the ships chosen is to be sent, with the number of the guns and men, which must be the highest complement. You should also report as to the proper places for storing victuals and naval stores in the Mediterranean. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 1.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant to Lieutenant-Colonel Lumley to arrest Lieutenant Barnesley for dangerouss editious and treasonable practices against the government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 222.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the keepership of Greenwich Palace to Charles, Earl of Dorset and Middlesex. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for the appointment of the Earl of Clare, as Lieutenant of Middlesex. [*Ibid., p.* 227.]

Mar. 16. Passes or post-warrants for Lieut.-Col. Lumley, with "six or seven other officers," to go to Cambridge; for Col. Matthews to go to Leeds and Wakefield; for Col. Richard Leveson, ditto; for Capt. John Charlton and Thomas Rowley to go to Nottingham; for John Boston, ditto; for Major Charles Fitzwilliams, ditto; for Col. Henry Wharton and Lieut.-Col. John Bernars, to go to Hull; for Captain South's servants to go to his quarters in Nottingham; for John Stanly, his wife and three daughters, to go to Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 221]; for Lord Fairfax and Col. Byerley to go to Durham; for Frances Fisher to go into Warwickshire; for Jacques Sarrabat to go to Holland; and for the Earl of Cassillis to go to Edinburgh. [*Ibid., p.* 223.]

Mar. 17. Pass for John Smith, Mr. Lyster Blunt and Mrs. Ellen (?) Sheridan to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 220.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John, Lord Vaughan, Earl of Carbury, stating that the late King granted to George, Lord Jeffreys, the offices of Steward of the lordship and manor of Brecknock, and Chamberlain of the town and borough of Brecknock, and the counties of Brecon, Radnor, and Glamorgan, held for life by the petitioner's father; and that he also constituted William, Marquis of Powys, the Steward and Keeper of the Courts of the commotes of Mallaine, Caio, Mableview, Mabedrid, Manordilo, Kethwicke, and the Forests of Glencothie and Pennant in Carmarthenshire, and Keeper of the possessions of the Monastery of Tally in the same county, and also the office of Keeper and Steward of the late King's lands in the commotes of Navon, *alias* Mabwuion, Gwinioneth Ucharden, *alias* Gwinioneth Ytcharden, Iscoid Isherwin, *alias* Escoid Isherwin, Kiweth, Premin, *alias* Generglin, Blaine Arion Sillaine, and Tallisarne Green, in Cardiganshire. Prays that these offices may now be given to him for life. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 61.]

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Mar. 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Lazarus Thornton and Matthew Downe, seamen, and masters of vessels, John Knight, Nicholas Boyket, brewer, Joseph Streater, soldier, Joseph Fines, and Thomas Thornton [? Taunton], baker, stating that they, on the 8th of December last, seized Dover Castle for King William, and maintained in it, at their own charge, near 300 men, and finally delivered the castle to Colonel Wickfield; for which service the King, in a letter dated 17th December last, promised them a recompense. They pray that employment may be given them, either in the army or the navy. Referred to the Admiralty, with instructions that such of the petitioners as have been used to the sea should be employed in the navy in suitable places. [*Ibid., p.* 62.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. James Vernon to Mr. Baron. Sending, in the absence of Lord Shrewsbury at Hampton Court, a paper received from Col. Steward concerning some deserter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 44]. *Enclosing—*

List of Scotch ships ready to sail with the first fair wind, with a request [*from Col. Steward*] *that these may be searched for: Richard Armestrong, John Armestrong, Robert Maxwell, John Jack, George Forbons, Walter Murray, and William Pringle, who, with their horses, have deserted from the Earl of Selkirk's regiment, and intend to go by sea for Scotland.* [*Ibid., p.* 45.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. The King to the Governors of Sutton's Hospital or the Charterhouse, recommending William Martin for a child's place on the foundation there. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 7.]

Mar. 18. A memorial from Lord Ranelagh, Paymaster-General, to the King. Having reason to think that the profits of the paymaster's office are represented to be far greater than they really are, he forwards a true account thereof. A deduction is made from the pay of the forces of one shilling in every pound. Of this fund, two-thirds are to be retained in the Paymaster's hands, upon account, to be devoted either to the Chelsea Hospital or in such other way as may be directed. Out of the remainder, after paying certain fees, and establishment charges, as fixed in a paper drawn up by Sir Stephen Fox, there remains the clear sum of 6,910*li.* 18*s.* 4*d.* On the 1st of January 1685, when Lord Ranelagh took office, this residue only amounted to 3,613*li.* 18*s.* 4*d.*, out of which King James intended to assign him a salary of 2,000*li.* a year, over the 20*s.* a day allowed by the establishment, the remainder to be at the King's disposal. But at a later date, when the King saw the great charge the Paymaster was at through the encampment at Hounslow, he allowed him to take the whole sum as his salary. The increase in the amount of the said third part only began last year, at which time the Paymaster was put to expense for his equipage to Salisbury. For the future, however, a certain salary should be allowed to the Paymaster, and this Lord Ranelagh suggests should be fixed at 3,000*li.* a year. [*S.P. Dom., King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 9.]

Mar. 18. Cambridge. John Fage, Mayor of Cambridge, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Upon a warrant from you, Mr. Peter Barnesley was brought before me by Lieutenant-Colonel Lumley, whereof Nathaniel Coe, whose

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letter was shown to me, had notice. He produced William Beale and Thomas Stevenson to give information against Mr. Barnesley, copies of whose depositions I enclose, and I have committed Mr. Barnesley to prison. There are nine common soldiers of Sir Robert Douglas's regiment come to this town, who pretend that they were not willing to the rebellion of that regiment, and have therefore left the others, and were going to London to enlist again. They have been secured, and I desire your directions concerning them and about Mr. Barnesley. [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 11.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of Treasurer of the Navy to Edward Russell, who is to hold and enjoy the messuage at Deptford, heretofore enjoyed with the same office. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 231.]

Mar. 18. Hampton Court. A similar warrant, stating the salary and allowances connected with the said office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 235.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. Warrant to Thomas Heywood to deliver to Henry D'Allone, all books, manuscripts, papers and writings belonging to the late King in his custody. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 224.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Capt. John Dale, Matthew Morland, and Roger Wright, to go to Durham; for Capt. Christopher Clapham, to go to Stamford in Lincolnshire; for Major Jore, to go to Holland; for Capt. Samuel Sourlon, to go to Exeter and Devonshire; for Lieut. Abraham Rogers, to go to Colchester and York; for Lieut. Robert Naylor, to go to York; for Capt. Paul de la Porte, to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 224]; for Robert Wyatt, Frances Vertue and John Huggison, to go by sea to Newcastle, and thence to Durham; for Mrs. Browne and three children to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 225]; for Charles Copsey and Henry Lumley, to embark on board the *Elizabeth* at Portsmouth; for Theodore Tengnagell, to go to Northampton, "or thereabouts"; for Major Fitzwilliam, to go to Nottingham and Newark; for Mrs. Frances Verris and her servants, Mary Dollard and John Baptist, Mrs. Ann de Vox and her daughter, Mrs. Ann Foyhard, and her servant James Turner, Mrs. Ellen Roberts and her daughter, and Mrs. Ann Roberts with her grandchild Ann Pryor, to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 226]; and for William Stewart, a soldier in Col. Babington's regiment, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*, 35, *p.* 45.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Col. Cunningham. Instructing him to embark and sail for Ireland immediately. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 46.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Warrant for the Royal assent and confirmation of the election of Dr. Gilbert Burnet to the see of Salisbury. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 222.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Cambridge. Approving of his conduct in arresting Lieutenant Barnesley, and nine soldiers of the Scots regiment; the lieutenant is to be continued in custody,

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and inquiry is to be made to what companies the soldiers belong, whereupon further directions will be sent. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 46.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Hillesden, bailiff of Buckingham. His Majesty having been made acquainted with your letter to Sir Richard Temple, and the papers enclosed, commands me to tell you that he would have you forthwith discharge Mr. Hugh James, so that he may pursue his journey and follow his lawful occasions. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 2.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Symon Chapman, messenger, to search the "Queen's Head" Tavern, in the Strand, for arms or accoutrements for soldiers, reported to be concealed there, and, if any be found, to secure them and arrest the proprietor of the house. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 228.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Warrant for the appointment of William Smith to be receiver, paymaster, &c., of the band of pensioners, and gentlemen-at-arms. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 229.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the constableship of Windsor Castle, to Henry, Duke of Norfolk. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 230.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Authority given by the Earl of Shrewsbury to James Fraser to act as his deputy in licensing books and papers. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 236.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Harris, "engraver," to engrave two new seals "for our signet according to this impression." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 241.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Capt. Spencer Broughton, to go to Coventry; for Capt. Fullerton and Capt. Denham, to go to Edinburgh; for Lieut. John Floyd, to go to Northampton; for Capt. Purefaiz, to go to Coventry; for Capt. William Parsons, to go to Liverpool and Chester, or thereabouts; for Capt. Sanderson, Ensign Carvile, and Lieut. Bedford, to go to Sheffield; for Quartermaster Collop, Serjeant Chandler, and Robert Bridgood, to go to Shrewsbury [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 226.]; and for Matthew Wright and Thomas Wedgwood to go to Leicester. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 227.]

Mar. 20. Westminster. Warrant to Lord Montague to deliver to Charles Villiers, Clerk of the Cheque to the Yeomen of the Guard, or to Thomas Coleman, Deputy-Clerk of the Cheque to the said guard, 120 livery coats, viz.: 100 for the guard, and 20 for the yeomen warders of the Tower of London, to be made of fine red cloth, lined with blue, and guarded with fine blue velvet with a gold edging, with a rose and crown, the letters W.M. RR., motto and scroll on back and breast, all with silver and gilt spangles; and 120 pair of red breeches of fine cloth, guarded with the same velvet and gold edging; 120 velvet bonnets with bands of crimson, sky colour and white ribons; 120 pair of fine grey worsted stockings; 120 waist belts of buff, and 50 carbine belts guarded with blue velvet and edged with a gold edging as the coats are; and also to deliver to the Clerk of the Cheque, or his deputy, 120*l.* for cloth for watching gowns for each man. [*S.P. Dom. Signet Office Letter Book* 12, *p.* 333, *and S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 233.]

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Mar. 20. Whitehall. Warrant to arrest persons passing by Temple Mills, Hackney, suspected of carrying arms. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 45.]

Mar. 20. London. News Letter.—On Saturday last his Majesty made a speech to both Houses of Parliament and told them that though this has been a very short recess yet there were some doubts whether they took notice of what he said at the opening of Parliament. Therefore he throught it necessary to recommend to them what he and the Lord Chancellor said the other day as if they said it now. After which the Lord Chancellor recommended them to take it into their serious consideration. Wherefore, that no time may be lost, his Majesty commands the House of Commons to proceed immediately to the choice of a Speaker, and his Majesty expects that he will be presented to him on Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Accordingly the Commons went back to their House and Lord Russell named Serjeant Gregory to be Speaker; he was seconded by Lord Cavendish, and the House immediately chose him. On Monday, Serjeant Gregory presented himself in the House of Lords, to the King, who told him he was very pleased with him and confirmed the choice of the House of Commons. The Speaker then returned thanks. This day it was ordered that a committee be appointed to draw up an address to the King for day of humiliation for a blessing on the proceedings of this Parliament. Then it was ordered that a committee of secrecy be appointed to take further evidence and prepare articles against the Lords in the Tower and take further information of what concerns the plot in general and the death of Sir Edmundbury Godfrey; that the secret committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records; that Dr. Tongue, Mr. Oates, and Mr. Bedlow attend the House to-morrow; that a committee be appointed to inspect the Lords' books and see what resolutions they have taken relating to impeachments. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 69, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 335.]

Mar. 20. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Robert Cotton, of Combermere, in Cheshire, stating that he owns a considerable estate in Denbighshire and praying for the office of Steward of that Lordship, void by the departure of the Marquis of Powys. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 64.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Pollard, stating that he was formerly a land waiter in the port of Exeter, and was turned out for refusing to give his vote for electing a member to serve in Parliament for repeal of the Test; and praying to have a land waiter's place in the port of London. Granted, at the request of the Bishop of London. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 65.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard, Lord Coote, stating that King James II. granted to Sir Robert Clerk, Robert Brent, and Talbot Clerke esquires, the benefit of an invention, for 14 years, for the cheap extracting of metals, especially gold, silver, copper, lead and iron, from their ores, the patentees to receive for the first

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6 years all the profits thereof; and praying for a grant of the profit upon the said invention which was reserved to the Crown after the first 6 years. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 65.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Treasury At the request of the Marquis of Winchester the King has granted the office of riding forester in the New Forest to Mr. John Burrard and that of high woodward of the same to Mr. Thomas Dore. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 47.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Recommending to them the bearer, Mr. Foster, to serve again as Clerk of the Peace for Stafford. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 47.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. General exemption for the Earl of Middleton and George Bridges, esquire. Setting forth that no officers or soldiers are to be quartered in their dwelling houses in Winchester, or at the manor house of Avington, belonging to the said Mr. Bridges, near the said city; and a direction that the horses belonging to these gentlemen are not to be impressed. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 235.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Appointment of Thomas Trevor, of the Inner Temple, as Queen's Attorney and King's Counsel. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of Governor and Captain of Windsor Castle to Henry, Duke of Norfolk. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 409.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. The King to the Mayor and Alderman of Chester. It being certified to us that, upon the surrender of George Bulkeley, you have nominated Roger Comberbach to be Town Clerk, and Clerk of the Pentice of the said city, we according to the powers reserved to us by the Charter of Incorporation of your city, approve and allow that election. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 10.]

Mar. 20. Warrant to the Attorney General to prepare a signed bill for granting to Prince George of Denmark and Norway, the dignities and titles of Baron of Ockingham, Earl of Kendal, and Duke of Cumberland, with the usual fees of 20*l.* a year to support the dignity of an Earl and 40*l.* a year to support the dignity of a Duke. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 251.]

Mar. 20. Passes or post-warrants for Major John Margettson to go to Northampton; for John de Lattre and Thomas de la Fleure to go to Flanders; for David Le Clerc to go to Holland; for Jaques Barde to go to Holland; for Henry Nicholls, in Sir John Lanier's regiment, to go to Cambridge; for Ensign Baily, Sir Robert Hamilton Lieut. William Weire, and John Johnston, to go to Edinburgh [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 227]; for Sir Thomas Gore and Captain Lindley to go to York or Doncaster; for Capt. Fletcher to go to Peirith in Cumberland; for Ensign Orfen to go to Doncaster [*Ibid.*, *p.* 231]; for Philadelphia, Winifred, and Ann, children of Lord Teynham, and their nurse, to go to France; for Lieut.-Col. Gore to go to Newcastle; for Capt. Saunderson and Lieut. Godfrey to go to

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Lincoln; for Capt. Cox, Mr. Robinson, surgeon and 30 soldiers, to go to Doncaster; for Capt. Constable to go to Derby; for Capt. Waller to go to Bakewell in Derbyshire; for Capt. Belbey to go to York and Doncaster; for Thomas Fitzgerald to go to Ireland; for Ensign Lockhart, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Trumball to go to Scotland; for Ensign Owen Braham and Capt. Sandys, to go to their quarters in Yorkshire; for Lady Waldegrave, her two children, two nursery maids, Richard Dorothy, and Ellen Symson, Lady Waldegrave, widow, Mr. Ed. Waldegrave, her son, Mrs. Elizabeth Englefield, her cousin, Mademoiselle La Montagne, her woman La Tows, her coachman, Elizabeth Conquest, Winifred Coppely, two footmen, and boy, to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 232]; for Capt. William Berry and Lieut. Henry Peirce to go to Cambridge; for Hugh Robinson servant to Sir Thomas Gower to go to York and Doncaster; for John Sugden, servant to Capt. Lindley to go to York and Doncaster; for Lieut. John Tooke to go to Northampton; for Major Henry Boad, and Capt. Rowland Selby to go to Northampton; for John Thompson to go to Nottingham; for John Wilson, servant to Capt. Fletcher to go to Cumberland; for Moses Cotton and John Lee, servants to Lieut. Fitzhugh, to go to Northumberland; for Cornet George Mortimer and Lieut. Millington, to go to Northampton; for Lieut. Henry Tancred to go to Yorkshire; for Capt. Henry Morgan to go to Monmouth; for Cornet Garioch to go to Newcastle and Berwick; and for Madam Frances Dennis to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 234]; duplicate of the last. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 235.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of Master of the Stud to Thomas Pullen. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 240.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Warrant to John, Lord Lovelace to swear Robert Manley as Clerk of the Cheque to the Band of Pensioners. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. The King to Mr. Paule, High Sheriff of Berkshire. Granting him leave to live out of the county of Berks during his tenure of the office of Sheriff, as his affairs require his presence elsewhere. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 8, *and S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 31.]

Mar. 21. Caveat that nothing pass relating to the vicarage of Prescot in Lancashire, of which Mr. Goodall is the incumbent, till notice be given to the Dean of Norwich. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 4.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to James Fynney, clerk, of the Prebend of Husthwait, in the church of York, void by the death of Dr. Diggle. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 8.]

Mar. 21. Hanover. Ernest Augustus, Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg, to the King. Asking his Majesty to take the Island of Noirmoutier under his protection. It belongs to the Duchess of Brachiane. There is no strong place or even a walled town in the island. The Dutch fleet laid it waste during the last war, and the same thing may happen again, unless the King can grant this favour. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 10.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Arthur Herbert, Admiral of the King's ships in the Narrow Seas, at Portsmouth. I have shown the King your letter, and, by his command, have sent to the Commis-

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sioners of the Admiralty to hasten the rest of the squadron to you: they tell me that they have given all necessary orders for that purpose, so you may expect them as soon as the wind will permit. The King has intelligence, to which he gives credit, that King James is certainly arrived in Ireland, so that it will be necessary for you to pursue your instructions in that case with all speed. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 2.]

Mar. 21. The Earl of Nottingham to Viscount Bulkeley, at Beaumaris. I have acquainted his Majesty with the contents of your letter; and he approves of what you have done in securing Captain Belew, concerning whom the Lords of the Council will send directions. He is also pleased to grant you the same employment in Anglesey that you lately enjoyed, and I have spoken to the Commissioners of the Admiralty for the Vice-Admiral's place for Sir William Williams. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. The same to the Admiralty. The packet boats at Harwich are often detained in port for want of convoy, which is very inconvenient to the King's service and therefore you should appoint some ship to secure the passage of those vessels to and from Holland. His Majesty is informed that it will be necessary to order three men-of-war, at least, for that purpose. I have shewed him the list of ships you sent me yesterday, which are designed for this year's service in the Narrow Seas, and in the Mediterranean, of which his Majesty approves and would have them fitted out for sea with all expedition and for those that are to be employed in the Mediterranean, his Majesty approves Porto Mahon and Porto Ferraio for the ports wherein the victuals and naval stores, which cannot be carried in each ship, respectively should be lodged; and you are to prepare as soon as possible, an estimate of the charge of these ships for a year, to be presented to the Parliament, as also a list of such other ships as you judge necessary for convoys and to attend upon the Plantations, with an estimate of the charge of these also. Of the 50 ships in the list, 30 are designed for the Mediterranean, viz., one of the 2nd rate, thirteen of the 3rd, and sixteen of the 4th rate. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 3.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Commission for Thomas Thomson, to be ensign to Captain Robert Minors, commanding an independent company of Foot, in garrison in the Castle of Upnor. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 21.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Pardon to William Hussey, gentleman, for the murder of William Henrick, Sir William Powell the justice, who presided at his trial in the Old Bailey, having represented that for divers reason he is a fit subject for mercy. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 239.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Certificate that Viscount Lansdowne, late Envoy to the King of Spain, returned into his Majesty's presence on the 3rd instant. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 21. Passes or post-warrants for Major James Wood to go to Scotland; for Captain Blechington and Lieut. Pinsend to go to Wakefield; for Ensign Orlando Pain to go to Bakewell in Derbyshire; for Henry Doyle, a poor Dutchman, to go to Rotterdam [*S.P. Dom. Warrant*

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Book 34, *p.* 236]; for Joseph Beaumont to go to France and to return; for Ensign Walter Devereux and Roger Mole, drummer, to go to Shrewsbury [*Ibid.*, *p.* 237]; for Elizabeth Smith, a French Protestant, and her two sons, Frederick and Samuel with Mr. Samuel Warkin to embark at Harwich for Holland; and for Ralph Hansby, Philip Vincent and James Neal, (recommended by Mr. Deprez, a French divine at Canterbury), to go to Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 46.]

Mar. 21 Warrant to Sir Eliab Harvey to prosecute those destroying the timber or game of the forest of Waltham. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 22. Commission for Robert, Earl of Lindsay to be Lord Lieutenant of the county and city of Lincoln. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 23.]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, finding it necessary to be urgently understood in what I have done about Lord Paget's appointment as *Custos Rotulorum* of Staffordshire, and written on behalf of Mr. Foster, I acquaint you that I never intended to abstract Lord Paget from having that office; nor did I believe his having it would make it impracticable for Mr. Foster to be Clerk of the Peace; "having had the experience in my Lord "Chancellor Nottingham's time that one was not a necessary "consequant (*sic*) of the other." [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 47.]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Henry Ullcock, D.D. of the deanery of Rochester, void by the death of Dr. John Castillion. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 9.]

Mar. 22. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Your Majesty will have seen by my letter of the 16th instant that I have here only one small ship of war which I sent to cruise off Drogheda, hearing that certain small vessels from Dublin were carrying provisions thence to Dundalk. That ship captured a vessel coming from Scotland towards Dublin, having on board two Glasgow merchants named Bell, who said that they were going to Bristol. I had them arrested, and on receiving Lord Shrewsbury's letter of the 6th instant, I understood the matter and have put them under safe custody. I have intelligence from Dublin that there are there the following vessels: the *Pelican*, from Scotland, 200 tons, armed as a man of-war; two ships of 60 tons belonging to the Commissaries of Bideford; the *Mary* of Dublin of 250 tons; and two vessels of Waterford of 60 tons each. A French ship, Richard Tomson, master, left Dublin on the Thursday in Holy Week. He usually touches near Carnarvon. There are also engaged in the business of carrying passengers, another French boat, and a Scotch pink, which took to Scotland one "Bohanan" [? Buchanan]. A certain Captain Fitzgerald has given me a small medal, telling me that I can always put faith in any man who shows me one like it. He tells me that they have sent more than twenty thousand francs to Scotland. No help has reached them from France. The manufacture of arms and

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powder which the enemy set up has turned out a failure. They are in want of horses. They are ordering all the gentlemen in the country to surrender their horses and leaving them only their ponies. Their horses are dying fast. So are some of ours also, as the soldiers have nothing but oat-straw to give them. Mr. Hamilton, whom Mr. Herbert employs in the Treasury, takes this. I think he has some private affairs of his own, but he says he goes to induce Mr. Herbert to send money at once to the army. This, in any case is a thing very needful. For after all I have written concerning the great need in which the army is for want of money, I need only add that I see with great regret the harm that may arise from leaving troops without money so near to an enemy so ready for intrigues, and in a ruined country, where the soldier can find no provision in the place where he is billeted, since most of the inhabitants have not enough for themselves. This want of money prevents me from besieging Charlemont; I have only two pieces of cannon left, the rest having burst at the siege of Carrickfergus. I have written repeatedly to the officers at the Tower to supply me with other cannon and some bombs, but they excuse themselves on the ground that they lack money. I hear from Carrickfergus that three ships have arrived with provisions and one with powder and bombs. It is just six months since they took in their cargo, and they arrive now. The Duke of Wurtemberg is here; he is much vexed at not receiving any money for his troops. He is gentle and patient, and eager to do well. I cannot say as much for Mr. Douglas. I have done all I can for him, and I hear that while he was in London he blamed my conduct of the last campaign very severely. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest 5, No.* 11.]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. Exemption for George Bridges, esquire, from having soldiers quartered in his dwelling house in Winchester or at the manor house of Avington near the said city, and from having his horses impressed into the King's service. *Vide also March* 20th. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 237.]

Mar. 22. Passes or post-warrants for Sir Harry Slingsby, and Mr. Gore to go to York [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 237]; for Mr. Baily to go to Norfolk; for Thomas Randall, to go to France; for Capt. Castron, Capt. Nanning, Capt. Eckler, and Capt.-Lieut. Fan Hatton, to go to Holland; for George, Viscount Castleton, to go to Yorkshire; for Lieut. Col. Thomas Fairfax, to go to Yorkshire; for Capt. Hugh Hooke, Capt. Jones and Sergeant Roberts, to go to Shrewsbury; for Commissary Wrighton, to go to Winchester; for Capt. Henry Felton to go to Cambridge; for Major William Carrvill to go to his quarters at Chester [*Ibid., p.* 238]; for Lieut.-Col. Rupert Billingsley to go to Derby and Berwick [*Ibid., p.* 240]; and for Mungo Carneagie, and James Carneagie, to go to Edinburgh. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 48.]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. Warrant for William Carr to be Cursitor Baron. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 238.]

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Mar. 23. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Richard Onslow praying, at the request of several inhabitants of the county of Surrey, that he may hold two fairs in his manor of Merrow in the county of Surrey on the 6th of May and the 9th of September for the sale of horses and cattle. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 12.]

Mar. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King commands me to signify to you that he has appointed the Earl of Clare, Lord Lieutenant of Middlesex, as *Custos Rotulorum* of the same county. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 48.]

Mar. 23. Whitehall. The same to the same. Forwarding a list of justices of the peace for Suffolk to be passed with the other commissions. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 23. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Christian. Expressing approval of his conduct with regard to the examination of Alexander Gordon. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 23. Whitehall. The same to the Keeper of Maidstone Gaol. The King having been interceded with on behalf of Captain Nugent, now a prisoner in your custody, that he might be under an easier restraint, and freed from his irons, commands me to signify his pleasure to you if you can keep him safe for his trial without over doing him with irons, to give him that ease. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 23. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Cambridge. "The four Hautbois," stopped at Cambridge, gave a correct account of themselves. A pass is enclosed for them to join their quarters with Colonel Wharton's regiment. Instructions will be sent as to the other prisoners belonging to the Scots regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 49.]

Mar. 23. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. Requesting them to report on the claim of Mr. Floyd, late Solicitor of the Customs, to be restored to that post and on the claim of Mr. Hutchinson the present holder of the office, to retain it. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 23. London. News letter. The House resolved yesterday into a Committee of the whole House for considering of a supply for reducing Ireland. Mr. Hampden reports that the Committee resolve that a supply be given the King of 307,361*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*, for maintaining 22,330 men, and the officers to continue for six months towards the reducing of Ireland; that a further supply of 27,451*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* for levy money and transportation be given; that a further supply of 81,835*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* for providing artillery be given; that it will be necessary that the like supply of 307,361*l.* 17*s.* 10*d.*, be thereafter given for the payment of the said forces if the war with Ireland shall so long continue,—to all which the House agreed *nem. con.* It was also resolved that the House shall to-morrow further consider the King's speech, that the calling over the House be adjourned till Wednesday; that the Committee of Elections sit to-morrow. The bill for reviving actions and processes that were discontinued at the Courts at Westminster by reason of withholding Hilary term was read with amendments a third time, and passed in the Lords and sent to the Commons. The amendments to the bill for abrograting the oaths and imposing new ones was read, agreed to,

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and ordered to be engraved (*sic*). It was this day ordered by the Lords that the clerk bring in a list of such lords as are absent and have not made their excuses and that the Archbishop of Canterbury be sent to, to give his attendance this day in the Lords, and the other bishops that are about this town who have not taken the oaths.

Nothing has passed in Scotland but what was contained in my last, since when they have sent another message to the Duke of Gordon to surrender the Castle of Edinburgh, which refusing he was proclaimed rebel to the State. A letter from the late King James and one from the Prince of Orange was offered; that from the former caused great heat before it was read, and at last carried by only one vote. Before it was read they voted themselves a free convention, that notwithstanding anything that might be in that letter they could sit till all things in Church and State that were amiss were certified. King James' letter requires them to send Commissioners to him but not naming any place, the letter being dated on board the *St. Michael*, then at sea, signed by Lord Melfort. It is uncertain whether they will send any to him till they receive other letters to assert the place where he is. Several letters arrived this day from Ireland—the last of which is dated the 16th instant, all which agree in the late King's landing at Kinsale on the 12th, and that Tyrconnel having sent his coach of state and his guards on receiving the express, and on the 15th he went to meet the King. These letters add that there has been a fight in the North between the Protestants and Papists; both claimed the victory and both say many were killed. The Irish do not rejoice much for the victory, so that it is believed the Protestants had the better. Mr. Hampden reports from the Committee of the whole House that he was directed to move that his Majesty be humbly desired to direct an estimate to be sent to the House, of what fleet will be necessary for the summer service, and that the King be desired to give direction that the House may be informed what the mutual obligations of assistance are between the Crown and the State of Holland, to which the House agreed. This day the Archbishop of Canterbury sent a letter to excuse his absence, which was read, and the debate thereof adjourned till Monday. [*Greenwich Hospital, News Letter* 3, *No.* 70.]

Mar. 23. Wentworth Woodhouse. The Earl of Strafford to the King. Praying that the arrears of his pension may be paid to him. The ill condition of Ireland, whence most of his revenue comes, will compel him to shut up his house, as Lord Darcy has done, and live like a poor gentleman of 300*l.* or 400*l.* a year. But if he can get the arrears of his pension and have it paid duly, he may be able to pay his debts in England and live with some decency. [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 12.]

Mar. 23. Passes or post-warrants for Augustus Van Huneke to go to Holland; for Major Peter Bristol to go to York and Doncaster; for Lieut. Milborne to go to Derby [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 239]; for Mr. Kneuestubb to go to Stamford; for Capt. George Beal and Capt. Henry Beal to go to York; for William Burton, Joseph Cand, Eneas Man, and Daniel ——, servants to the above, to go

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to York; for Mr. Richard Abington to go to Newcastle-under-Lyme; for William Turner to go to Northampton; for William Wolfe to go to "the Hay" in Brecon [*Ibid.*, *p.* 241]; and for Sir Francis Warre, bart. to go to Hestercombe near Taunton. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 48.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Pawley, D.D., Archdeacon of Lincoln, for a review of a cause between him and Dr. William Oldis, sentenced in the Delegates Court. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 67.]

Mar. 25. Proceedings upon the petition of Nathaniel Gillet, seaman, for 43 months arrear of pay due to him. Referred to the Admiralty to give the petitioner such relief as they may think fit. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 25. Proceedings upon the petition of George Tuthill, late Mayor of Exeter, stating that, the King being at Exeter during his time of office, he was in disburse for his Majesty's service; and desiring authority to compel the city to repay him. Referred to the Treasury to report if the petition could be granted, "to which his Majesty is very favourably inclined." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 68.]

Mar. 25. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Charles Bickerstaff, stating that he, having dealt many years with the Navy Board for great quantities of timber, can demonstrate that the sudden decay of thirty ships and their often repairs, proceeded from want of care in choosing and converting the timber; this might be prevented by commissioning an experienced person to provide good timber. Prays that if the Lords of Admiralty think such a step useful, he may be thus employed. Referred to the Admiralty for a report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 11.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Clement, stating that having come by regular steps to be first clerk of the kitchen, he had hoped that no innovations would be made among the protestant servants of the household, but that the Lord Steward, on the King's accession, had laid him aside, and praying to have either his former place, or a pension of 200*l.* a year out of the Cofferer's office. Referred to the Treasury for a report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 12.]

Mar. 25. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Joseph Seymour, knt., stating that King Charles the First granted him one of the Auditor's places in the Exchequer for his life, that after the rebellion he was restored to it by King Charles the Second, and held it, until, by the general sale of the fee farm rents, the profits of the office ceased. The petitioner then received an annuity of 200*l.* *per annum* from the secret service money during the treasurership of the Earl of Danby. But the said annuity being stopped, King Charles promised him the reversion of Mr. Eriskin's place in the Charterhouse. The late King James, however, bestowed this place on one Mr. Burnet, but promised the petitioner some other thing of better advantage. The petitioner prays for some place proper for him, "as to be a Commissioner for Hackney Coaches," or that he may receive the said annuity until a post be found for him. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 13.]

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Mar. 25. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas, Earl of Sussex, stating that on his marriage with the natural daughter of King Charles the Second he was promised by that King 20,000*l.* as the marriage portion; that it not being then convenient for his late Majesty to furnish such sum, a grant of 2,000*l.* a year was allowed him and the Countess for their support until the marriage portion should be paid; that there are now owing the said 20,000*l.* and an arrear of the 2,000*l.* a year making a total of 24,600*l.* The petitioner prays that this debt be satisfied, or if the King's affairs will not admit of the present payment of the whole sum, that he be paid the 4,600*l.* in arrear of the said 2,000*l.* a year. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 14.]

Mar. 25. Portsmouth. Admiral Herbert to [the Earl of Shrewsbury?] By the enclosed you will see what it is that Captain Ashby, going with me as captain of the *Defiance*, desires. I earnestly recommend him to your Lordship. He is a man who has always served well and has been very zealous in contributing towards the settling the Government, as now established. [*H.O. Admiralty, Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 2.]

Mar. 25. Carlisle. J. Bubb to Sir John Lowther, Vice-Chamberlain to the King. From Penrith I went to Carlisle and hearing that there had been some meetings of disaffected persons and other strangers at Corby, Warwick, Sir Francis Salkeld's and Esquire Dacre's in Gilsland sent Captain Baxter with some musketeers to where I was told these strangers had been concealed and that two of them were said still to be at the bailiff's house. We missed them and got only a stone horse they left behind. As the party was returning the next day (Saturday) they saw on Kingsmoor Heath a body of about 60 horse, "which hastened our men to Carlisle," whereupon we drew up the drawbridges and secured the gates and all our men were ready with two hundred of the townsmen who resolved to stand by us. It proved to be Lord Preston and his tenants and borderers conveying him to Hutton. At Stanwix they divided, one party staying at the Sands, without the Scotch gate, and Lord Preston, with twenty or thirty horse, armed with pistols and swords, rode past our walls and halted about half-a-mile on the other side beyond the English gate, where Lord Preston took leave of them. Captain Baxter with a party advanced towards them on the sands, which made them scour away, but our men meeting with some of the Borderers ordered them to stand, but they refused and "bid them kisse their brichers." Our men fired and killed one horse, and shot the rider through the hand. I have four in custody, and their arms. I do not believe Lord Preston meant to attack us, but his behaviour was most imprudent. I intend this week to search all the Papists houses, at one time, for arms and suspected persons. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 13.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Major Philpot, suspected of treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 49.]

Mar. 25. Hutton. Lord Preston to the Earl of Shrewbury.—I take the liberty of acquainting your Lordship of an accident which happened upon Saturday last near Carlisle, and which I doubt not will be represented to my disadvantage. Upon Friday night, notice was given me at my

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house near the borders of Scotland, where I was, that the Lieutenant-Governor of Carlisle was sending out a party of horse to seize me. I answered that I knew my innocence, and had acquainted the Marquis of Halifax with the occasion of my being here, but if it was the King's pleasure that I be secured I was ready to surrender myself. However, as the alarm proved false, I started next day for my mother's house, and my way lying either through the garrison of Carlisle or just under the walls, I chose the latter. About 20 of my tenants, according to their custom, accompanied me past the town and then left me to return home. About half-a-mile on the other side of Carlisle some soldiers of the garrison stopped them with an order from the Lieutenant-Governor to seize their horses, as he hath done to many others in this country, by what legal authority I know not. The men refused to deliver their horses and one of my tenants was shot through the hand and his horse killed; and three were arrested and are now in Carlisle Castle. I am said to have gone past the castle with 100 horsemen and to have meant to surprise the castle; and the garrison were called out. I assure you that all things were done with as much caution and innocence as possible; and I hope it will always be permitted to the subjects of England to ride in peace along the highway if they give no offence to Government, and that these poor men may be released. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 14.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Gravesend You may set at liberty Lieut. Andrew Scott, his friends having undertaken that he shall return to London and appear before me. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 50.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. Licence to Dr. Dennis Granville, Dean of Durham, to travel abroad for the benefit of his health. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 249.]

Mar, 25. Warrant to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, authorising them, or any two of them, to sign all Injunctures, Decrees and Dismissions—drawn up under order given by the late Lord Chancellor or Keeper of the Great Seal or by the late Master of the Rolls, but not signed by them, according to the orders entered concerning those matters in the Registrar's office, as of record—without further hearing, as was intended, unless they shall otherwise think fit. [*Ibid., p.* 250.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Ensign Adams to go to Berwick; for Captain Floyd, and six gentlemen of his troop, to go to Northampton; for John Shukburgh to go to Coventry; for Captain Verier, in the Earl of Leven's regiment, to go to Scotland; for Martin Usse, servant to the Spanish Ambassador, to go to Flanders; for Captain Henry Balfour to go to Scotland; for Richard Beckett to go to his quarters at Stevenage; and for Vallentine Smith, servant to the Duke of Ormond, to go to Bilbao in Spain and to return. [*Ibid., p.* 242.]

Mar. 26. London. News letter. Yesterday a Bill for erecting a Court of Conscience in Southwark and the Tower Hamlets, and Bills of Mortality read, and second reading ordered. A message from the King, by Mr. Hampden,

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for preparing an Act of Oblivion and general pardon, except to such as both Houses shall think fit. It was resolved that the humble thanks of the House be given to the King for his gracious message. A message from the Lords for abrograting the oaths of allegiance and supremacy and appointing others; it was ordered that a committee inspect the journal of 1660 of the Bill for Indemnity then, and report it to-morrow. It was also ordered that the Serjeant at Arms do enquire why the rooms called Star Chamber, Court of Wards, Duchy Court and Queen's Court are not reserved for the service of the Parliament. The House resolved into a Grand Committee for considering the form of a coronation oath, and one was agreed upon and a Bill ordered to be brought in. At Edinburgh, on the 19th, the Roll of the Convention being called over, they had settled several committees and published a proclamation for collecting the revenue and made one, Oswalde "Receiving (*sic*) General" of the inland excise, and Sir Patrick Murray of the foreign. They further proceeded about securing the meeting, and raised the Earl of Leven's regiment of 800 men and keeping the cannoneers and artillery men together, and ordered that the militia be kept in readiness in the several shires to defend the kingdom and that 6,000 firelocks, 2,000 muskets, 1,000 carbines, 1,000 pistols, 400 barrels of powder, with all other sorts, of warlike furniture be brought immediately, that the magistrates of Edinburgh and the commanders of the trained bands do sware to be true to the States. Information having been given to the Convention that the Earl of Dundee, with 60 horses, had appeared on the north side of Edinburgh and had spoken with the Duke of Gordon over the castle wall, they immediately ordered the drums to beat and the trained bands to be raised to prevent any men going into the Castle or any sallying out, and ordered that an express be sent to Lord Dundee to return to the meeting on the 22nd on pain of treason, but if he lay down his arms he will be indemnified for what was past. The messenger returned and said he left the message where Lord Dundee had lodged at Lithlegoe [Linlithgow]. Some other lords are gone to him, but it is not doubted but the western men, who are in arms, will suppress him. They have appointed a Committee to send an answer to the King's letter, having first voted that thanks be returned to those gentlemen, who addressed his King at London to take upon him the government as a very acceptable service to the State. They have also ordered 2,000 arms to the Protestants in the North of Ireland. The House of Lords ordered their humble thanks to be given to the King for his gracious message about an Act of Indemnity and also for signifying to them his intention to make Prince George a peer of England. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 71, *and Greenwich Hospital, News Letters Entry Book*, 2 *p.* 339.]

Mar. 26. Petition of John Warren of Gray's Inn, to be continued in his office as Justice of the Peace for Chester, Flint, Denbigh, and Montgomery. The petition was referred by Lord Shrewsbury to Lord Macclesfield, Lord President of the Marches of Wales, who recommends that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 15.]

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Mar. 26. The Earl of Nottingham to "the Right Hon. Richard Hampden Esq." In obedience to his Majesty's commands, I enclose the articles of the Treaty between England and the States of Holland, relating to their mutual assistance: But I am to acquaint you that the King designed to have a fleet of 50 capital ships, 15 lesser frigates, and 8 fire ships, to be employed in the Narrow Seas, and in the Mediterranean, for this whole year, not barely to comply with the Treaty, but that he may enabled to provide for the necessary defence of the Kingdom in this conjuncture, and has given orders accordingly to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. I have here enclosed, also sent an estimate received from the Commissioners of the Admiralty of the charge of this fleet, and also of the ships designed for convoys, and to attend the Plantations according to the project presented from them to his Majesty. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 4.]

Mar. 26. Pass for Stephen Garrison, a French Protestant, to go to Holland, recommended by Der Verdier, captain in Ramsey's regiment. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 49.]

Mar. 26. Hampton Court. Warrant to deliver 133*li.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to William, Bishop of St. Asaph, the King's Chief Almoner, or his Sub-Almoner, to be distributed in alms on Maunday Thursday, Good Friday, and the rest of the week. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 50.]

Mar. 27. Proceedings upon the petition of James Pearse, junior, to be continued in his post as a land-surveyor at the Custom House in the Port of London. Referred to the Treasury for a report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 68.]

Mar. 27. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Guy. Requesting him to return Mr. Floyd's papers, as Mr. Floyd wishes to add something to them. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 50.]

Mar. 27. Whitehall. The same to Baron de Riedessell, colonel of Cavalry. Instructing him to send, by the messenger, the names of the Scotch Officers in his custody, in order that warrants may be prepared for their committal to prison on his arrival in London. Their baggage is to be brought to St. James' Park to be guarded by the sentinels there. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 27. Warrant to the Keeper of Newgate to receive into custody Captain Johnson, Captain Auchmouty, Captain Morray, Captain Deans, Captain Rutherford, Captain Levinston, Captain Mongo Morray, Alexander Gaune, gentleman, Peter Robinson, Isaac Tralkall, William Morray and William Cunningham, Lieutenants, Peter Morray, George Chain, Walter Auchmouty, James Daton, Alexander Tunis, John Carr and Peter Cock, ensignes, accused of High Treason in levying war against the King. *Compare with a similar Warrant of March* 28. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 244.]

Mar. 27. Whitehall. Warrant to the Attorney-General to prepare a signed bill for granting to William Bentinck, Groom of the Stole the dignities and titles of Baron of Cirencester, Viscount Woodstock and Earl of

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Portland, with the usual fees of twenty marks per annum to support the dignity of a Viscount and twenty pounds a year to support the dignity of an Earl. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 248.]

Mar. 27. Whitehall. A like warrant for granting to Henry Sydney the dignities and titles of Baron of Milton and Viscount Shippey, with the usual fee of twenty marks a year to support the dignity of a viscount. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 27. Passes or post-warrants for Ambrose Rose to go to Holland; for Isabelle Van Laer ditto; for Lieut. William Hamilton to go to Coventry; for Captain Samuel Rolt to go to Bedford [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 243]; for Ensign Bryan to go to Exeter; for Captain James Humphreys to go to Chester; for Ensign Philip Orfeur to go to York and Doncaster; for Colonel Fitzpatrick and Captain Dereham to go to Worcester; for William Bretchman to go to Flanders; and for Charles Heron to go from London to Exeter and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 50.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. The King to the Sub-Dean and the Chapter of Durham. Informing them that Dr. Dennis Granville, then Dean, has received leave to travel for the benefit of his health, and directing that he shall receive all his profits and emoluments, he finding a sufficient substitute. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 8.]

Mar. 28. Proceedings upon the petition of Giles Lytcott, Controller-General of the Accounts of the Customs to be retained in the above-named post, which he has held for 17 or 18 years. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 14.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Schomberg. The council has ordered that the Irish soldiers, now in the Isle of Wight, shall be formed into a regiment and transported to Hamburgh to enter into the Emperer's service. You are desired to write to the Governor of the Isle of Wight and to Colonel Macgillicuddy, who is to command the regiment, for a list of the Irish officers now in the Island the number of the soldiers, and the names of those whom the Colonel intends to employ, which is to be "double officered." The Governor and Colonel are to be required to take care that the regiment is in readiness to be put on board as soon as the ships arrive, which are to carry it to Hamburgh. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 51.]

Mar. 28. Carlisle. Richard Bere, collector of Customs at Carlisle, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Colonel John Butler, of the Irish Dragoons, who was secured at Whitehaven on 3rd January passing to Ireland and removed here on 16th February, has applied for the benefit of his Majesty's pleasure for the support of the Irish officers in custody here, to commence from the time of his first being secured. I request instructions. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 16.]

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Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a *congé d'elire* to the Dean and Chapter of Bristol to elect a bishop for that see, vacant by the translation of Sir Jonathan Trelawney to the See of Exeter, and for a letter recommending Dr. Gilbert Ironside for election. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 223.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to William Wake, Chaplain in Ordinary, of the dignity of a Canon in Christchurch Cathedral, Oxford, void by the promotion of Dr. Henry Aldredge to be Dean of the said church. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 224.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Dr. Henry Aldridge of the dignity of Dean in Christchurch Cathedral, Oxford, void by the death of Dr. John Fell, late Bishop of Oxford and Dean thereof. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Commissions for —— Boswell, to be lieutenant to Capt. Pulteney, in Col. Edward Villiers' regiment of Horse [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 22]; and for John Bell, to be cornet to Capt. Walpole in Col. Villiers' regiment of horse. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 23.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of Great Seal. The King has appointed William Ferrer, senior, of the Inner Temple, to be the Queen's Solicitor, and one of his Majesty's counsel learned in the law, and would have you give order for passing one or more patents accordingly. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 4.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to the Keeper of Newgate to receive into custody Captain John Johnson, Captain John Auchmouty, Captain John Murray, Captain William Deans, Captain Andrew Rutherford, Captain John Levingston, Captain Mungo Murray, Alexander Gawne, gentleman, Peter Robinson, Isaac Threlkeld, William Murray, and William Cunningham, Lieutenants Peter Murray, George Cheyne, Walter Auchmouty, James Paton, Alexander Innes, John Carr, and Patrick Cook, for high treason in levying war against the King. *Compare with similar warrant of the previous day.* [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 252.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to the Keeper of the Bridewell in Clerkenwell to receive into custody as many prisoners of the Scots regiment as there shall be room for in that prison. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. A like warrant to the Keeper of the new prison at Clerkenwell. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to the Keeper of Newgate to bring before Lord Shrewsbury, Captain John Auchmouty, Captain John Levingstone, Captain Andrew Rutherford, and Mr. Alexander Gawne, now prisoners in Newgate, on a charge of high treason. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 253.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a patent creating Charles, Viscount Mordaunt of Aveland, Earl of Chichester. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 270.]

Mar. 28. [Whitehall.] Warrant for a grant to Henry, Lord Delamere, of the office of Under Treasurer of the Exchequer. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 274.]

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Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Henry, Lord Delamere, of the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer, to hold during pleasure. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 275.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Major Henry Carr, of the office of Provost Marshall General of Jamaica. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 50.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to William, Bishop of St. Asaph, High Almoner, of the goods of felons *de se*, and deodands forfeited to the Crown, in England and Wales, to distribute in alms. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 51.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Warrants to apprehend Mrs. Arnauld, accused of high misdemeanour. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 52.]

Mar. 28. Passes for John Beatier, a disbanded soldier, to go to France; for Capt. Anthony Hungerford to go to Stafford and Doncaster; for Eanse [Eneas?] Patkul, captain in the Earl of [Count?] Carelson's regiment, with a lieutenant and two serjeants and three servants, to go to Holland and return; for Lord William Pawlett, Thomas Jervois, Maurice Hunt, and Simon Diggle, Robert Callant, Dr. Tankred Robinson, Mrs. Robinson, John Story, and Robert Dixon, to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 253]; and for Gerard Reynolds to go to Flanders. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 254.]

Mar. 29. The Earl of Nottingham to Lords Commissioners of Great Seal. Lord Hatton having been, for some years last past, *Custos Rotulorum* of the County of Northampton, and his Majesty being well satisfied that he should so continue, I desire you to make no alteration in this case before I have waited on you. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 5.]

Mar. 29. Hampton Court. Appointment of Sir Joseph Williamson, bart., as King's Counsel. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 254.]

Mar. 29. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Attorney-General to prepare a signed bill for creating Sir George Hewytt, bart., Viscount Hewytt of Goran, in Kilkenny, and Baron of Jamestown, in Leitrim. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 259.]

Mar. 29. Whitehall. Warrant to William Bridgeman to deliver to the bearer, Mr. Isaac Newton, Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, the statutes of that university. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 262.]

Mar. 29. Passes or post-warrants for Nicholas Saunderson and John Raynor, to go to Lincoln [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 251]; for Ensign John Wilson, Lieut. Thomas Colom, and Serjeant John Browne to go to Coventry [*Ibid.*, *p.* 254]; and for John Norris, a soldier in Col. Babington's regiment, to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 51.]

Warrant to apprehend Captain St. Ange, suspected of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 30. Commissions for Mr. William Poston to be lieutenant to Capt. Rogers in Col. Villiers' regiment of Horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 23.]

Commission for Mr. Peter Colvert [or Calvert] to be a cornet to Capt. Russell in the same. [*Ibid.*]

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Mar. 30. Commission for Charles, Earl of Shrewsbury, to be Lord Lieutenant of the County of Worcester. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 30. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Attorney-General directing that a signed bill be prepared for creating John, Lord Churchill, Earl of Marlborough, with the usual fee of twenty pounds *per annum*, to support the dignity of an Earl. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 257.]

Mar. 30. Hampton Court. A like warrant for creating Ralph, Lord Montagu, Viscount Monthemer and Earl of Montagu, with the usual fees of twenty marks and twenty pounds per annum for supporting the dignity of an Earl and a Viscount respectively. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 258.]

Mar. 30. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of Master of the Harriers to Christopher Tankred, with the yearly salary of 500*l.* [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 52.]

Mar. 30. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for John Merill to go to France; for William Gee to go to Hull and Beverley; and for Captain Ambrose Cave to go to Coventry. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 254.]

Mar. 31. Bedford. Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Francis Russell to his brother Mr. Russell. I have been ordered to march the regiment to Morpeth, and neither I, nor any other officer of the regiment, have received a penny of pay yet and we have, in order to the completing our troops, laid out every farthing we could beg, borrow, or steal. If you will intercede with the King that our own money may be sent down to us, it will make us easy, or else we must beg all the way we march. I have disposed of some of the subsistence of my troop in buying horses, so that I beg you to lend me 150*l.*, which you will let Mr. Ridley pay to Mr. Child, goldsmith, within Temple Bar, who will send me a draft on Mr. Christie in Bedford. If however the King can send us our arrears of three months' pay and subsistence money for our march, I can do without the loan. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 17.]

Mar. 31. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend —— Greenway, a barber, living in Aldersgate Street, suspected of treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 54.]

Mar. — Whitehall. Warrant to grant the office of Governor of Carlisle to Sir John Lowther of Lowther, bart. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 200.]

Mar. — Whitehall. Commission for Thomas Lawrence, Doctor of Physic, to be Physician General to the Army. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 22.]

[Mar. ?] Proceedings upon of the petition of Henry Bulkeley, esq., stating that, as Master of the Household to the late Kings Charles and James, he expended 600*l.* on repairing and building the lodgings belonging to the Master of the Household, of which he has only received 160*l.*, and praying that, as he is not continued in his place, he may be compensated for this expenditure. Referred to the Treasury for a report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 11.]

April 1. Commission for Mr. Henry Freeman to be cornet to Captain Floyd in Colonel Villiers' regiment of Horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 23.]

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April 1. Hampton Court. Commission for Thomas Earl of Darby to be Governor of Kingston-on-Hull. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 24.]

April 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Gravesend. You may set at liberty, Lieut. Peter Auchmouty, his friends having undertaken that he shall return to London. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) *p.* 51.]

April 1. Hampton Court. Appointment of Samuel Franklyn as the King's Procurator in causes ecclesiastical and maritime. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 53.]

April 1. Hampton Court. Further proclamation for the bringing in of arms lately embezzled. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 16.]

April 1. An account of the English army, giving the number of men in each regiment and where those regiments were serving. In all, without reckoning the officers, there were 4,186 Horse, 1,494 Dragoons and 25,186 Foot; of this number 10,864 were serving in England, 10,972 in Holland, and 9,030 in Ireland. The regiments in England were:—Horse, the first and third troops of Guards, the troop of Scot's Guards, and Lord Colchester's, Colonel Godfrey's, and Colonel Longston's regiments. Foot, the first regiments of Guards, Colonel Trelawny's, the Earl of Bath's, Colonel Beveridge's, Sir James Lesley's, the Earl of Monmouth's, Sir John Guise's, Colonel Lutterell's, and Sir Robert Peyton's regiments the Upnor company, the company of miners, and two companies "in New England." Dragoons, Colonel Berkeley's and Sir Thomas Levington's. The regiments in Holland were:—Horse, the second troop of Guards, and the Royal regiment. Foot:—the Coldstream and Royal regiments, the Scots Guards, the Fuzileers, Prince George's, Colonel Churchill's Colonel Sir John Hale's, Sir David Collier's, Colonel Hodges, Colonel Fitzpatrick, and Colonel O'Farrell's. The regiments in Ireland were:—Horse, Sir John Lanier's, Colonel Villiers', Lord Delamere's, Colonel Coy's, Lord Hewett's, and Lord Cavendish's. Foot, Colonel Kirk's regiment, Colonel Beaumont's, Colonel Cunningham's, Sir John Hanmer's, Colonel Wharton's, Colonel Hastings', Sir John Edgeworth's, and Colonel Richards'. Dragoons, the Royal regiment and Colonel Leveson's. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 12.]

April 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Commissioners of Admiralty.—His Majesty having ordered the regiments, whereof Major General Kirk, and Sir John Hanmer, are Colonels, to embark at Liverpool, on board such ships as are, or shall be, appointed by you to carry them to Londonderry, commands me to signify his pleasure that you forthwith give orders to the captain of the frigate that is to convoy the said ships, and the masters of those vessels, that, upon the embarking of the said regiments they follow such directions as they shall receive from Sir John Hanmer and the Officer in Chief for their going to Londonderry, their staying there, and returning from thence, or calling, or staying, at any other port on the coast of Ireland. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 6.]

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April $\frac{1}{11}$. Hanover. Ernest Augustus, Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg to the King. Thanking him for his autograph letter announcing his accession to the English throne, and assuring him of his continued attachment. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 13.]

April 1. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Attorney General to prepare a signed bill for creating Hugh, Viscount Cholmondley of Kells, Baron Cholmondley of Wiche Malbank (Nantwich) in Cheshire. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 261.]

April 1. Passes or post-warrants for Robert Sysor, and John Sysor, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 257.]

April 2. Whitehall. Warrant excusing the Earl and Countess of Cardigan from attending the coronation. [*H.O. King's Letters* 2, *pp.* 9 and 11.]

April 2. Whitehall. The like for Lord and Lady Bellasis. [*Ibid.*]

April 2. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Sir Henry Goodrick, knt., of the office of Lieutenant General of the Ordnance, and "of the custody and keeping "of that our messuage or mansion house called the Storehouse, "belonging to the office of our Ordnance, situate without Aldgate, "near London," and all the houses, edifices, yards, orchards and gardens to the same belonging, "together with the custody of a "certain garden commonly called the Artillery Garden." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 269.]

April 2. Warrant for the presentation of Edmund Hough to the vicarage of Halifax, Yorkshire. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 225.]

April $\frac{2}{12}$. Zell. George William, Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg to the King. Thanking the King for his letter announcing his accession to the throne. Baron de Schutz will assure his Majesty of the writer's zeal for his service. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 14.]

April 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir William Courtney. Informing him that the King has been pleased to create him a Baron of England, he being one of those who have contributed, with him, to the settling of this nation; and requesting him to choose a title. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 52.]

April 2. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. His Majesty designs the creation of three new earls, viz.:—The Lords Falconberg, Montagu, and Churchill. The warrants for the two last are prepared and were signed on the 30th ult. and the other stays only till it be be known what title Lord Falconberg will chose. To prevent any difficulty about their precedency, the King directs me to acquaint you that it his pleasure that these patents bear date, so as to give them according to the order in which they are here named which is pursuant to the precedency they now have in respect to one another. [*Ibid.*]

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April 2. Whitehall. General pass for any ship having on board a coach, and other goods belonging to the Sieur de Spanheim, Councillor of State and of the Privy Council to the Elector of Brandenburg, to sail from Rouen and return thither. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 260.]

April 2. Passes or post-warrants for Nathaniel Barton and Eliza Barton to go to Coventry [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 257]; for Mr. Robert Morley to go to York; for Ensign Richard Lenton to go to West Chester [*Ibid.*, *p.* 258]; for Jan Vandberg, Philip Brugman, Herme Swemm, Christopher Carner, Martin Huistain and Anthony Pick, Dutch troopers, to go to Holland; for John Cobham, ensign in the Duke of Bolton's regiment, to go to Holland; for Mr. Duplisty, and Mr. Clarke, troopers in Sir John Lanier's regiment, to join that regiment; for Lieut. Auchmouty in Sir John Edgworth's regiment to go to West Chester; for Adrian Keppink to go to Holland; and for Cornelius Elboo to go to Holland or Flanders. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 311.]

April 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Humphrey Levermore, of Exeter, merchant. Stating that he was the first person in Exeter who came into the King's service, &c., and praying to be put in such "a station as to be further serviceable" and proposing "a riding surveyor in the four Western Counties of England, wherein he will be very careful, not only to prevent frauds, but to augument the revenue." Referred to the Treasury for a report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 15.]

April 3. Whitehall. Report upon the petition of John Clapp, Joseph Pitts, John Gould of Colyton, in Devonshire, Daniel Cleveland and Nathaniel Smith of Honiton, setting out that John Smith and 40 others, were some of them aiding the Duke of Monmouth in the west, and were allured by the then Chief Justice Jeffreys to plead guilty, which they did. The petitioners pray that they the said persons, being banished upon their pleading, may have leave to return home to their families. Recommendation by Walter Yonge. The petition is referred to the Lords of the Privy Council, appointed a committee for Trade and Foreign Plantations. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 92.]

April 3 Hampton Court. The King to Jonathan Langley, high sheriff of Shropshire. Granting him permission to live out of the said county during his term of office, as he may have occasion to be in London or elsewhere. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 12.]

April 3. The Earl of Nottingham to Lords Commissioners of Great Seal. I am directed to acquaint you that his Majesty intends to make some alterations in the sheriffs of the following counties, viz.:—Flint instead of Richard Mostyn, esq.; Thomas Wilkins, of Halkin, esq., Denbigh, instead of Robert Wynn, esq.; Roger Mostyn, of Brymbo, esq., Carnarvon, instead of Thomas Mostyn, esq.; Owen Wynn, of Peny Bryn, esq.; and therefore you will stop the passing of the patents to such Sheriffs, till the King has made these alterations in the usual and regular method. I am also to acquaint you that it is his Majesty's pleasure that Christopher, Lord Viscount Hatton be in the Commission of the Peace for Northampton, and Richard Warr, esq., for Middlesex. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 5.]

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April 3. Whitehall. Warrant to the Keeper of Newgate to allow Lieutenant Irwine to have access to Lieutenant Gawne, in the presence of a keeper, in order that he may have the said Lieutenant Gawne's assistance in making up the accounts of the Scots' regiments, which passed through the prisoner's hands. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 261.]

April 3. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Admiralty. The King desires a yacht to be provided to transport Count Styrum and his family to Holland and to bring back Madam Auverquerque and her servants. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 262.]

April 3. Passes or post-warrants for Mr. Griffin to go to Northampton. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 258]; for Mr. George Cartwright to go to Salisbury [*Ibid.*, *p.* 260.]; and for Jane Donestrave, Peter Vilbamsea, Catherine Anderson, Mary Johnson, and Catherine Jordison, to go to Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 261.]

April 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for the royal assent to be given to the election of Jonathan, Bishop of Bristol, to the bishopric of Exeter. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 9.]

April 4. Hampton Court. Declaration by the King and Queen that the forces sent to the Low Countries shall be continued in the English pay and upon the English establishment. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 17.]

April 4 to May 4. The number of men, and cost of their subsistence, for a month's service in Holland. The regiments named are the Coldstream, 800 men; the Royal, 390 men; Colonel Churchill's 600 men; Colonel Hodges', 600 men, and a Regiment of Fusileers, 420 men [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 15.]

April 4. Report upon the petition of Peter Corcellis, merchant and inhabitant of Newport, in Flanders, stating that the ship called *the North Star*, coming from Nantes to Ostend, laden with brandy, wine, &c., was taken by an English privateer and brought to Dover as a French ship, and praying that, as the vessel, the crew, and cargo belong to Spain, they may be released. Referred to Sir Richard Raynes, knt., Judge of the Admiralty Court, for opinion. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 69.]

April 4. Proceedings upon the petition of George Cross, captain of the fireship *Supply*, to be continued in his employment, or promoted to a better. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 73.]

Apr. [4–10]. Proceedings upon the petition of John Floyd, lately solicitor of the Customs, stating that he had expended great sums of money in obtaining the said office, and that he was removed from it for his non-concurrence in "the subversion of the ancient laws of the kingdom." Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 70.]

April 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Collector at Harwich. Directing him not to allow any Dutch soldiers to embark at that port without passes, as it is supposed that some deserters have lately escaped into Holland that way. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 53.]

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April 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Collector at Gravesend, as to passes for Dutch soldiers. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 53.]

April 4. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Langely, mayor of Harwich. When I know the King's pleasure, it shall be signified to you; for the present, you are to secure [Ensign Murray]. *Postscript:* "In such unlucky indecents "as that of Murray's, it hath been usuall for officers of corporations "to write directly to the Secretaries as you might have done." [*Ibid.*] *Enclosing*—

The same "to the Officer commanding in chief at Harwich." Directing him to deliver up to the civil magistrate, Ensign Murray charged with having wounded a constable in the exercise of his duty. Whitehall, 4 *April* 1689. [*Ibid., p.* 54.]

April 4. Hampton Court. Warrant to Henry Harris, "engraver," to "engrave four small "seals of our arms, for the use of our private letters of cachet." [*S.P. Dom., Warrant Book* 34, *pp.* 263, 287.]

April 4. Whitehall. Warrant to Major Richardson, keeper of Newgate, for permitting Mr. Fitzherbert to see his friends and relations, at reasonable times, in the presence of a warder. [*Ibid., p.* 263.]

April 4. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Marquis of Winchester to take special care that no disorderly persons do destroy the King's game of hare, pheasant, partridge, heron, and other wild fowl, in the county of Southampton, as it is alleged that they do, with greyhounds, mongrels, setting-dogs, guns, trammels, tunnels, nets, and other engines, contrary to law; and to provide that the game may be preserved for the King's disport and recreation; and if any person be found offending, their greyhounds, &c., may be seized, and their names taken, in order that such punishment as shall be usual may be inflicted on them. [*Ibid., p.* 264.]

April 4. Passes or post-warrants for John Harrison, servant to Lady Essex Griffin, to go to Newmaket, and return; for Mr. Stuart, to go to Nottingham; for Sutton Oglethorpe, esquire, with his servant Henry Pibus, to go to his house at Richmond, in Yorkshire, and to return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 262]; for James Orcott, a disbanded soldier, to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 263]; for Jan Verfloot, to go to Holland; for Nicholas Carnick and Daniel Brady, to go to Flanders; and for Mr. Moree [?] chaplain to Sir John Lanier's regiment, to go to his quarters at Berwick. [*Ibid., p.* 315.]

April 5. Caveat that nothing pass relating to the office of warden, ranger, bow-bearer, chief keeper and under keeper of all the forests, etc., within the lordship of Barnard Castle, in the County of Durham, and particularly the Forest of Teasdale, (heretofore granted to Sir Henry Vane, and lately possessed by Sir William Bowes, knight, and Mr. Sympson) until Christopher Vane esquire, or Mr. Richard Ash, of Lyons Inn, have notice given them. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 4.]

April 5. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the restitution of temporalties of the Bishopric of Salisbury to Dr. Gilbert Burnet, to commence from the death of Dr. Ward. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 225.]

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April 5. Hampton Court. Letter excusing the Countess Dowager of Denbigh from attending the coronation. [*H.O. King's Letters* 2, *p.* 12.]

April 5. The Form of the prayers and service used in Westminster Abbey at the coronation of the Kings and Queens of England, with an account of the procession from the Palace to the Abbey. *Printed.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 18.]

April 5. The Earl of Ranelagh to the King, reporting that he has remitted 2,800*l.* to Holland for payment of the English troops there. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 16.]

April 5. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of Sir Richard Temple, Sir Robert Southall, Sir John Warden, Patience Ward, Sir Robert Clayton, George Booth and Thomas Pelham, as Commissioners of Customs. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 266.]

April 5. Hampton Court. The like for Charles, Viscount Mordaunt, Henry Lord Delamere, Sidney, Lord Godolphin, Sir Henry Capell, and Richard Hampton, to be Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 267.]

April 5. Hampton Court. The like for Sir Henry Fane, Sir Humphrey Edwyn, Sir Henry Ashurst, Thomas Franckland, Francis Parry, John Danvers, and Alderman Wilcox to be Commissioners of Excise. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 268.]

April 5. Whitehall. Warrant to certain of the messengers in ordinary [unnamed] directing that, inasmuch as several persons, suspected to be papists and disaffected to the Government, do frequent the coffee house of Gosneyes, in Russell Street, Tom's coffee house, in Prince's Street, Covent Garden, and the Dog Tavern in Drury Lane, and there do utter and maintain seditions words, a strict eye is to be kept upon these places and the frequenters of them, or any person offending as above, are to be arrested and brought before Lord Shrewsbury or some Justice of the Peace in order that the oaths of allegiance may be tendered them and they be further dealt with as the law shall direct. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 255.]

April 5. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Patrick Lyon and James Browne to go to Scotland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 243]; for Col. John Coye, and three servants, to go to Newcastle; for John Grant servant to the Earl of Thanet, to go to Scotland; and, for William Burnet and Francis Gobron, servant to Lord Ross, to go to Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 263.]

April 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Preston. The Governor of Carlisle has orders to release "the persons in hold," and to enquire into "the occasion of the meeting of so many horsemen in an armed manner." [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 54.]

April 6. Warrant to the Keeper of Newgate to secure Lieutenant David Arnell, Lieutenant William Robinson, and James Hall, accused of High Treason, in levying war against the King. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 263.]

April 6. Whitehall. Appointment of Charles, Viscount Cheney, Henry Paget, Philip Howard, Sir John Cutler, Sir Henry Ashurst, bart., Sir John Elway

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Sir Robert Peyton, Sir Peter Collyton, Sir Thomas Row, Major John Wildman, Nicholas Rainton, John Poultney, Arthur Barnardiston and James Dewey, as Deputy Lieutenants of Middlesex, and of the Earl of Clare, as Lord Lieutenant. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 271.]

April 6. Hampton Court. Protection for the Earl of Cardigan against divers disorderly persons, who have behaved themselves insolently in the village of Deen, Northamptonshire, towards his servants and family. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 273.]

April 6. Passes for Cornet Henry Howard, to go to his quarters at Lichfield; and for Mr. Edward Liddell "my Lord Shrewsbury's gentleman" to go to Northampton. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 265.]

April 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King has signed a warrant to create Viscount Mordaunt an Earl, but does not intend that he should lose the precedence he had, which was next to Lord Falconberg. The patent is to be dated accordingly. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 55.]

April 7. Whitehall. The same to the same. Enclosing an "entire list of English "nobility new created, in the order in which it is His Majesty's "pleasure that their precedencies be regulated":—Prince George Duke of Cumberland; the Duke of Bolton; the Earls of Portland, Falconberg, Monmouth, Montagu, and Marlborough; Viscounts Sidney and Lumley; and Lord Cholmondley. [*Ibid.*]

April 7. John Kingsmill to the Earl of Shrewsbury. In my last letter I said that I intended to sail for Ireland with the pass given me. But this morning when I was going on board a vessel setting out hence for Ireland, I was stopped by some persons of the town, who "said that they did not value the King's pass, I should not go [that] "the town thought fit to stop me." I gave Mr. Wilboare, the chief officer here, some hints of my business being special. I fear this delay may render my journey ineffectual for Ireland; for it is thought the late King will make all imaginable expedition for Scotland. I suspect now that if I offered to return that I may be prevented. "The pass is in the name of John Kingsmill neither "do I find that they have any knowledge to the contrary." I pray your directions be such as may obviate any objections and I may be suffered to pass with my sister, and servant, or without or to return. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 19.]

April 7. Pass for two servants of Captain Charlton, and four horses, to go to Newcastle upon Tyne. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 264.]

April 8. Caveat that nothing pass relating to the office of chief keeper or under keeper of all the forests, &c. within the lordship of Barnard Castle in the County of Durham, and particularly in the Forest of Teasdale, till notice be given to George Sympson or Michael Johnson of Furnival's Inn. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 5.]

April 8. Hampton Court. Warrant for creating Richard, Viscount Lumley, of Ireland, Viscount Lumley of Lumley in England. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 272.]

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April 8. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to William, Earl of Kingston to be Warden, Chief Justice, and Justice in Eyre, of the royal parks, forest, chaces, and warrens, north of the Trent [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 276.]

April 8. Hampton Court. Pardon to Robert Wolseley, esq., for the death and killing of William Wharton, esq. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 277.]

April 8. Passes or post-warrants for Mr. Cook to go where required; for Ensign Richard Culpepper to go to Liverpool; for Mr. Graves, lieutenant in Lord Cornbury's regiment, and for Ensign Andrew Hickinson to go to Huntingdon. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 270.]

April 9. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Parker, gentleman, stating that he, being the younger son of an ancient family, was bred up to business and is well versed in accounts, and praying for the post of Collector of the Excise in the county of Devon. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 15.]

April 9. Proceedings upon the petition of Nicholas Stevens for a grant of the office of Customer, or Searcher, in the port of Plymouth. Referred to the Treasury to consider the petition and certificate annexed to it, and to provide for the petitioner. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 75.]

April 9. Whitehall. Warrant excusing the Earl and Countess of Lichfield from attending the coronation. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 5.]

April 9. Whitehall. The like for the Countess Dowager of Arlington. [*Ibid.*]

April 9. Whitehall. The like for the Countess Dowager of Rochester. [*Ibid.*]

April 9. Westminster. Warrant to deliver to Charles Villiers, Clerk of the Cheque to the Yeomen of the Guard, or to Thomas Coleman, his deputy, five livery coats for the Yeomen Warders of the Tower of London and the same number of bonnets, stockings, and waist belts, and 5*l.* for watching gowns. [*S.P. Dom., Signet Office, Letter Book* 12, *p.* 334.]

April 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Master and Wardens of the Stationers Company. Robert Hayhurst, printer, having lately published a paper, enclosed, and varied it from the original, it was licenced, by omitting some things and altering others. Hayhurst is to be prosecuted according to the statutes by laws of your own as will reach the offence." [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 56.]

April 9. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Acquainting them that the patents of the new creation of peers, ready for the seal, are to be passed that afternoon by three o'clock. [*Ibid.*]

April 9. Whitehall. The same to the mayor of Bristol. You may release an Irish gentleman, Patrick Daniel, stopped at Bristol, on his way to Ireland; his brother having "shown certificates, from persons of quality, that they are Protestants." [*Ibid.*]

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April 9. Whitehall. Warrant to Charles, Earl of Dorset and Middlesex, to admit Thomas Howard, "to be our servant in ordinary in the place and "quality of Lieutenant of our Guard and Yeomen of the Guard." [*H.O. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 280.]

April 9. Whitehall. Warrant to Charles, Earl of Manchester, "Captain of our Guard of Yeomen of the Guard," to swear Richard Uphill "our servant "in ordinary, as Corporal of our Guard of Yeomen of the Guard." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 281.]

April [9]. Whitehall. Warrant for a patent creating Charles, Viscount Aveland, Earl of Monmouth. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 269.]

April 9. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Dorset and Middlesex to admit Thomas Maule to be ensign of the Yeomen of the Guard. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 288.]

April 9. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Charles Bertie of the Office of Treasurer and Paymaster of the Ordnance, with the yearly salary of 40*l.* [*Ibid.*, *p.* 55.]

April 9. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Thomas, Earl of Danby, of the dignity of a marquis, under the title of Marquis of Carmarthen. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 56.]

April 9. Whitehall. Warrant to swear Charles, Earl of Manchester, as Captain of the Yeomen of the Guard. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 57.]

April 9. Whitehall. Passes for Captain Horatio Walpole to go to Morpeth [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 276]; and for Lady Preston, Edward Grahme, Mrs. Katherine Grahme, Mrs. Susanna Grahme, Mrs. Susanna Fletcher, and Mrs. Dorothy Heron, with her servants —— D'Albmagne, and Elizabeth Beverley, John Woodburn, Peter Monson, John White, Bastion Biron, Thomas Hewes, Jones Browne, George Grahme, and William Wright, to go from London to Nunnington, near York. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 54.]

April 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Michael Cole, of Inniskillen, knt., stating that his "town and house" of Inniskillen declared for the King in November last, whereupon part of his personal estate was immediately seized by the Irish and the rest made use of by the Protestants of the place for their support; that part of his real estate to the yearly value of 1,200*l.*, was wasted, excepting what is in the hands of the Protestants of the place and which forms their chief support; that the petitioner is a sickly man, with a wife and five small children in London, who will soon be in want. The petitioner prays for the post of Commissioner of Appeal in causes of Excise, or some other civil employment. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 16.]

April 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Christopher James, master of the *John*, of Wyvenhoe, stating that in December last he took in a lading of cheese, cloves, pepper, nutmegs, mace, and other merchandise at Rotterdam, for Bourdeaux, but by reason of contrary winds, put

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into the Isle of Wight. Praying that, since most of these goods are prohibited in England, he may have leave to proceed on his voyage. Referred to the Commissioners of the Customs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 17.]

April 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Boyle, gentleman, for the reversal of a trial in a cause of bigamy; and for granting to him a writ of *certiorari*. Referred to the Attorney General for report. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 70.]

April 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles Hart to be appointed to a vacant Commissionership of wine licences. Referred to the Treasury to consider thereof, and to gratify the petition as shall be thought convenient. [*Ibid. p.* 71.]

April 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Lieutenant Harrington, stating that he has been for many years servant "to your Majesty's" father and grandfather and was lately made a lieutenant, and "being "taken in the fly-boat was deprived of the honour of attending" the King upon "his happy landing." Prays that since, he is now too old for service, he may have the place of King's searcher in Kingston-on-Hull. Referred to the Treasury, with instructions to grant the petition; the King having regard for the petitioner's services and for Marshal Schomberg's recommendation of him. [*Ibid.*]

April 10. Caveat that nothing pass relating to the second Justice of Chester, Flint, Denbigh, and Montgomery, till notice be given to Doctor Wynne at the office of the Secretary to Lord Shrewsbury. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 5.]

April 10. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Robert Holmes to cause the Irish officers and and soldiers in the Isle of Wight to embark for Hamburgh on the service of the Emperor. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 25.]

April 10. Whitehall. Warrant to Lieut. Macillicuddy to take command of the Irish soldiers, ordered to Hamburgh, and to obey the instructions of the Imperial President there. [*Ibid., p.* 26.]

April 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. As it is the intention of the King that Viscount Lumley should walk to-morrow, at the solemnity of the coronation, in quality of a Viscount, the Commissioners of the Great Seal are instructed to put his patent for that honour under the Great Seal to-night. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 57.]

April 10. Whitehall. The same to the Major Robert Lawder "Commanding-in-Chief at Ipswich." Instructing him, in conjunction with the Justices of the Peace of the district, to take informations, upon oath, from the Scotch officers and soldiers of the Royal regiment, and from the inhabitants of the neighbourhood, touching the late mutiny, and to send copies of such informations up to London. [*Ibid.*]

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April 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Bailiffs and Recorder of Ipswich, "delivered to Capt. Moore." Requesting him, and his brother justices of the peace, to assist Major Lawder in taking informations. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)*, 1, *p.* 58.]

April 10. Whitehall. Warrant for the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal of England. Directing that the grants of honour lately made to Prince George of Denmark and Norway, Duke of Cumberland, &c., the Duke of Bolton. the Earls of Portland, Falconberg, Monmouth, Montagu, and Marlborough; Viscount Sydney, Viscount Lumley, and Lord Cholmondeley, "be according to the order in which they are here named, and our "will and pleasure is that the entries be made accordingly in the "books of your office and that all public ceremonies their places "and precedencies be appointed in the said order." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 279.]

April 10. Warrant appointing John Samson, as Secretary to the Commissioners of Customs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 281.]

April 10. Hampton Court. Appointment of John Trenchard of the Middle Temple as Chief Justice of Chester. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 282.]

April 10. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Lovelace, Captain of the Band of Gentlemen Pensioners, to swear Henry Bourchier Fane, as standard-bearer of the same band, in the place of Sir Thomas Bludworth. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 286.]

April 10. Warrant to the Archbishop of Canterbury to grant a dispensation to Jonathan, Bishop of Exeter, to retain and hold *in commendam*, the Deanery of St. Borian, otherwise St. Burian, in Cornwall, and the rectory of Shobrooke, Devon, and that he may accept and hold with the same bishopric any two dignities which shall fall void, in his gift. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 58, *and H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 12.]

April 10. Passes or post-warrants for Mr. Thomas Shepherd, with two children of Sir Thomas Strickland to go to France, and he only to return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 276]; for Lieutenant Wiltshire to go to Morpeth, in Northumberland; for Matthew Oddi to go to Italy; for John Sutton a soldier in Sir John Edgworth's regiment, to go to Chester; for Ensign Henry Mordaunt to go to Bedford [*Ibid.*, *p.* 277]; for Mr. William Armar, clerk, to go to the Isle of Man [*Ibid.*, *p.* 278.]; for William Frampton, esq. to go to France to fetch over Lord Salisbury's two brothers; for George Dixon, page of the presence to the late Queen, with his wife and daughter, to go to France or Flanders; for William Crosbey, esq., son to Sir Thomas Crosbey, to go to Holyhead or Minehead, for Ireland; and for Mr. Richard Whitlock in the Earl of Kingston's service to go to Tuxford, Notts. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 279.]

April 11. Harwich. Joseph Sanders to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I have received your letter as to the desertion of certain Dutch soldiers, who are expected to cross over from Harwich to Holland, and will watch all

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persons embarking and stop those who have not the King's passes. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 20.]

April 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Treasury. Recommending Mr. Doddington to be continued in his place as Commissioner of Appeals in the Excise, on account of the losses his family have sustained in the service of the Crown. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 58.]

April 12. Whitehall. The same to Major-General Kirke. The messenger, who brings this letter, has a warrant for the arrest of Lord Forbes and Mr. Morray, the two persons mentioned in your letter of the 6th instant. You are to give him any assistance he may require. All suspicious persons you find "in the countrys where you passed," are to be secured until his Majesty's pleasure is known concerning them. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 59.]

April 12. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Council. The King has appointed as judges: — In the King's Bench, Sir John Holt as Lord Chief Justice, Sir William Dolben, Sir Francis Winningham, and Mr. Giles Eyres; in the Common Pleas, Sir Henry Polexfen, as Lord Chief Justice, Sir John Powell, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Rokeby; and in the Exchequer, Sir Robert Atkins, Lord Chief Baron, and Sir Edward Nevill, Mr. Ventris and Mr. Turton. Their patents are to be prepared with this clause that each hold his office *quamdiu se bene gesserit.* Such of them as are not yet sergeants at law are, forthwith, to be so made. Before the said patents and writs are made out, you are to send for these gentlemen and let them know the King's intention towards them. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 60.]

April 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Major-General Kirke. The King commands me to acquaint you that there are orders given for paying the arrears, mentioned in your letter; and as for a ship to carry the officers' horses, he would have you hire one, and draw a bill for what the charge of it shall amount to, upon William Harboard esq., who will pay it upon sight. But he would have you take care that the regiment does not stay for that ship, in case of a fair wind, but sail away as soon as ready, and the ship, with the horses may follow after them. When the regiments are all shipped off, his Majesty would have you take the route of Carlisle and Berwick, whither his forces are marching, and give an account, from time to time, of the place where you shall be, and of what shall occur in those parts, for his Majesty's service. Another version of this letter, prepared previously, precedes this. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 8.]

April 12. Whitehall. Warrant to Major John Wildman to take possession of the General Letter Office, or Post Office, and of the house in Lombard Street, London, used for the same, and to enter upon "the execution of "the powers contained in the several Acts of Parliament made for "erecting the said office"; Philip Frowde esq., and all other officers being hereby required to deliver up the quiet possession of the said house, and all books of entry, papers and accounts relating to the said office. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 283.]

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April 12. Whitehall. Warrant for the appointment of Benedict Browne to be Clerk of Assize of the Oxford Circuit. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 284.]

April 12. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Leggatt, a messenger, to arrest Lord Forbes and —— Murray, suspected of dangerous practices against the Government. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 285.]

April 12. Warrant to Henry Eccles to deliver to Lieutenant Patrick Barclay one pair of pistols, two swords, and three horses, which came up with the Scotch prisoners from Lincoln. [*Ibid.*]

April 12. Proceedings upon the petition of Francis Hagen, master of the *New Exchange*, flyboat, stating that his ship was captured at Dungeness by John Ortin, a Frenchman, commanding a vessel of war, called the *Fortune*, manned with Frenchman, and brought to the Downs, as a prize, although the petitioner gave him clear proof that the ship and cargo belonged to merchants of Flanders. Referred to the Admiralty to examine into the matter, and order thereon as may be proper. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 73.]

April 12. The King to the Warden and other electors of New College, Oxford, recommending Edmund Killingworth, a scholar of "the College School near Winchester," for their choice at the next election for New College, Oxford. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 11.]

April 12. Whitehall. Warrant to swear John Biggs as a corporal of the Yeomen of the Guard. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 59.]

April 12. The like to swear William Haighton as a corporal of the Yeomen of the Guard. [*Ibid.*]

April 12. The like to swear John Villiers as Clerk of the Cheque of the Yeomen of the Guard. [*Ibid.*]

April 12. The like to swear Robert Sayers as a corporal of the Yeomen of the Guard. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 60.]

April 12. Caveat that no grant pass for the Water Bailiff's place of Dover, it being already in grant for lives or years, until notice be given to Mr. Kynvin at his house in Bow Lane, London. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 5.]

April 12. Whitehall. The King to Charles, Earl of Macclesfield, President of Wales, and the Council for the Marches, directing them to swear John Trenchard, of the Middle Temple, as Chief Justice and one of the King's Council in Ordinary for the Marches, at Ludlow. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 13.]

April 12. An estimate of the whole charge of their Majesty's Navy for one year for 21,580 men being employed at sea within the said year for various periods; amounting to 1,229,575*l.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 17.]

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April 12. The Earl of Nottingham to the Admiralty. As the King intends to employ one of the ships, appointed to convoy the packet boat between Harwich and the Brill, in carrying arms and ammunition to Scotland, you are to order one of these ships to come up the river to receive those arms, or, if this cannot be done, to remain at Harwich until they are sent thither. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 7.]

April 12. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for the *Mary* of Dublin, John King, owner and master, to sail from Neston to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 282]; for Sir Adam Blayre to go to Scotland and return; for Sir William Russell to go to Newcastle [*Ibid., p.* 283]; for Lieut. Fitzhugh to go to Doncaster and to Northumberland [*Ibid., p.* 285]; for Mrs. Katherine Cromer to go to Ireland; for Lieut. Collier to go to his quarters at Newmarket; for Captain Wilkinson to go to Exeter and thence to Chester; and for Lieut. Charles Fenwick to go to Chester. [*Ibid., p.* 286.]

April 13. Proceedings upon the petition of Arthur Beach, and David Balliett, stating that they have, at their own costs, discovered, and secured several priests and jesuits, and praying for a supply of money, or a pension. Referred to the Treasury to allow them such encouragement as they shall be found to deserve. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 72.]

April 13. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Hamilton. Acquainting him of the satisfaction felt by the King at "the zeal many of the "lords and gentry assembled at Edinburgh have shown for the "preservation of their religion and liberties, but more particularly "with your Lordship's behaviour, to whose providence he thinks a "great share of this beginning is due." A supply of arms is to be sent to Scotland. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 60.]

April 13. Stamford. ——— to the Earl of Stamford "at his lodgings in Bow Street, Covent Garden." Upon the coronation day we had several arbours in the street before our doors and many, with their neighbours, dined in the street. The Mayor and other disaffected people seeing their neighbours very merry, sent for the water-engine and for the militia. The soldiers as they came were heard to say they would shoot all the Presbyterian rogues out of the street. They played the engine amongst the people and placed the muskets behind it. The people threw some stones; one of the musketeers shot at one of my neighbours and burnt all his clothes and knocked him down. Mr. Wick, an alderman, went to remonstrate with them and they knocked him down and the Mayor fetched one of the bell ropes from the church and attempted to hang him. The Mayor and his brother were heard to bid the militia load with ball, for those that were assistant to King William and Queen Mary, were rogues and rebels. The parson, who is the greatest rogue in England, said so too, and instead of drinking the King's health, they drank a health to the "old gentleman." They have sent two of my neighbours to prison. The man, that was shot at, is not expected to live. I was at a horse-race on the heath when these things happened. I hope you will let Lord Delamere or Lord Shrewsbury know of this. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 21.]

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April 13. Pass for Mrs. Elizabeth Stretch to go to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 286.]

April 13. Whitehall. Warrant for the appointment of William Talman as Controller of the Works. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 287.]

April 13. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of William Blaithwait as one of the clerks of the Privy Council. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 294.]

April 14. Hampton Court. Order to Dr. Saumares, Prebendary of the free chapel at Windsor, to resign the rectory of Haseley, in the county of Oxford, into the hands of the Dean and Canons of the said chapel, that they may present thereto Dr. Gregory Hascard, dean of the said chapel and Registrar of the Order of the Garter. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 226.]

April 14. Hampton Court. The King to the President and Governors of Bethlehem Hospital requiring them to appoint Charles Watts, as apothecary to the said Hospital. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 6.]

April 14. Breda. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Enclosing a statement as to the condition of affairs as on the continent. There is some apprehension at Berlin that the Poles may invade Prussia. War between Sweden and Denmark appears probable, the latter power declining to satisfy the demands of the former. The names of the English Colonels, who are coming, and the proper strength of each regiment, should be communicated to me. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 18.] *Enclosing*—

(1.) *Statement. Count de Flodrop has notified that it is impossible to hold Huy with a less force than a corps d'armée, which cannot be spared. The Marquis de Castanaga asks for aid and would dispose of the States' forces, more according to his own theories than to reason. Count de Horn was ordered to concert with him to form a small company of his cavalry and some of the States' infantry for the protection of Ghent. Meanwhile, two batallions have been sent to Bruges. General Schoning desires to strengthen his force by detaching troops from the regiments at Nimuegen sent from Zauten. This is contrary to a previous agreement. On both sides, there seems to be a desire to make the Prince responsible for any mishap that may be experienced. The Prince has left the batallions for the security of Cologne. He has joined to General Schoning six batallions, with seven regiments of cavalry belonging to the troops in the States' pay, under the command of Mons. de Schlangenberg, and three regiments of cavalry and one of dragoons under Mons. de Alva (?) and has also formed a corps d'armée of the troops of Erffa, Wurtemburg, Bouregard, and Baye, with Colonel Franck's dragoons and those of Hesse, to hold the line of the Demer against the enemy until a plan of attack can be found. It is therefore possible for the Prince to let General Schoning have his way. The panic before the fort of the bridge of Bonne seems to show that matters are badly managed at Cologne as elsewhere. Pensioner Heinsius has done his best to assist the Prince, who, without his prudent conduct, would have been left without artillery. The*

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Prince did not find at Breda the artillery waggons, horses and stores, &c. expected. He is also in great want of money; he has only received half the 10,000 *livres promised him by the King for secret correspondence, and that is already expended.*

The arrival of further troops from England is awaited with anxiety, the number of those already arrived is very small, with Mr. Douglas' Regiment (600 *men*), *Lord Churchill's* (400 *men*), *Mr. Le Tolmisch's,* (*sic*) *commanded by Count Silvin* (400 *men*) *and Holschers* (400 *men*) *are arrived, and no more. The Prince would like to know by whom the muster of these troops should be made, as he has no exact list. To Mons. Hopp, the Prince replied that the King of England is readier to act for the public weal than it is thought at Vienna.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 18(i).]

(2.) *Copy of a letter from the Count de Flodrop to the Prince of Waldeck. The Count has visited Huy and found the place completety open to attack and commanded by the neighbouring hills. He has therefore destroyed the bridge over the Meuse, thus rendering the passage useless to the French. The inhabitants of the district, with a few soldiers, will now be sufficient to defend the town. Measures have also been taken for the defence of Liège.* 22*nd April* 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 18(ii).]

(3.) *Copy of letter from the Marquis de Castanaga to the Prince of Waldeck. Sieur de Sancey, Secretary to the late Count Delval, has arrived at Brussels from Paris. He was ordered to leave France, without delay, owing to the rupture between France and Spain, which was due to the fact that the latter declined to listen to the propositions in favour of neutrality, declared at Madrid by the Count de Rebenac. Hostilities may begin at once. It is of the utmost importance that all the troops of the States should advance at once on Liège, where the Marquis d'Humieres is collecting a corps d'armée. I am much vexed to hear that your troops have abandoned Huy, which was the proper place at which to await the enemy. The King informed me that bodies of troops would be sent to Ghent and Bruges to protect those places and Dutch Flanders. You will have had like instructions and I trust will carry them out speedily. Brussels.* 21*st April,* 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 18(iii).]

(4.) *Copy of a letter from Mons. Hopp to the Prince of Waldeck, enclosing papers. It is to be feared that the Elector of Bavaria may take amiss the appointment of the Duke of Lorrain to the command of the Imperial army, as he has written to the Emperor saying that he would not be employed to look after the baggage, and desired employment worthy of his reputation. The Pope has given King James a pension of* 100,000 *crowns. Everyone here is very eager to hear that King William has declared war against France; this court will not formally recognise his title until that is done, and should "Milord Paget" arrive here earlier he may meet with some coolness. Vienna,* 10 *April* 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 18(iv).]

(5.) *Report to* [*the Prince of Waldeck.*] *Your highness will learn from Colonel Erffa an account of the capture of Nuis. The tower, part of the castle, and some houses in the town were fired by the skill of a "maître de feu d'artifice" posted on the other bank of the*

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Rhine; the same man had also made a breach in wall facing the Rhine and opened the gorge of the second bastion. He has been rewarded with 100 *ducats, and his gunners with* 100 *crowns. The spreading of the fire forced the enemy to capitulate. About* 3 *or* 4 *o'clock in the morning, the fire spread so much that the shamade was sounded and the enemy capitulated. The French numbering* 250 *were sent to the camp of Mons. d'Humieres. The capitulation was also forced on by the fact that the German troops mutinied. Nuis,* [25 *April*] 11 *o clock at night.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 18(v).]

April 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for restitution of temporalities to Jonathan, Bishop of Exeter, to commence from the day of his translation from Bristol. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 10.]

April 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Dean and Chapter of Windsor, acquainting them with the order made in regard to Dr. Saumares withholding the rectory by Haseleys, and requiring them to call the said Dr. Saumares before them, and to read the said order publicly to him. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 228.]

April 15. The Earl of Dorset to the Clerk of the Signet in waiting. I desire that no patent may pass for the place of serjeant-at-arms, to attend the Treasury, nor the place of any other serjeant-at-arms; they being places in my gift. [*Ibid.* 72, *p.* 83.]

April 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for appointing James, Earl of Abingdon as Lord Lieutenant of the county of Oxford. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 27.]

April 15. Draft of a Warrant for the appointment of James Array as surveyor of the bridges in the New Forest, at a salary of 30*l.* a year to be paid out of the privy purse. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 22.]

April 15. Lady Rachel Russell to ———. Lady Shasbury (Shaftesbury) and I have been prevailed upon by Mr. Cooper's friends to again press his case upon your Lordship's notice. After the King had been pleased to grant the place to Mr. Cooper, as a favour to us, in spite of his youth, it is hard to guess what further objection the Commissioners can have made to the King, unless that a man of 24 is under age, "an age his Majesty has found not uncapable of great actions." Mr. Cooper can bring the testimony of able men of the legal profession as to his fitness for the post, if that will remove the obstruction of the Commissioners. [*Ibid., No.* 23.]

April 15. Hampton Court. Warrant to Henry, Lord Delamere, Chancellor and under-Treasurer of the Exchequer, to use the old Seal of the Exchequer until a new one is made. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 288.]

April 15. Pass for Jacob Lopé, merchant, to go to Harwich for Holland, and to return. [*Ibid.*]

April 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to John House, Vice-Chamberlain of the Queen "of the custody or office of keeper of our Pall Mall, in our "parke commonly called St. James Parke, with a house or lodge "called the Mall House and a little garden thereto belonging, near the said Pall Mall." To hold during pleasure, at a salary of 100*l.* a year. [*Ibid., p.* 290.]

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April 15. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Attorney General to prepare a signed bill for granting to Frederick de Schomberg, "Earle of the Holy Empire and Mertola, Grandee of Portugal, Duke and Marshal in France, "General of the Elector of Brandenburgh's forces and State-Holder "of Prussia," the dignities and titles of Baron Teyes, Earl of Brentford, Marquis of Harwich, and Duke of Schomberg, in the kingdom of England. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 300.]

April 15–June 13. A paper headed "War with France," being a list of orders, &c. issued by the Lords of the Council. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 24.]

April 16. John Wildman to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Enclosing "papers "that came in the French mail that arrived at the Post Office, since "one this afternoon." *Enclosures wanting.* [*Ibid., No.* 25.]

April 16. Hampton Court. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Robert Holmes. I have acquainted the King with your letter describing the stop of the six ships, and the other vessel, which you suspect to contain powder. The question of imposing a general stop upon all vessels going to Ireland will be considered. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 61.]

April 16. Hampton Court. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires that Sir William Gregory be made a justice of the Common Pleas, in the place of Mr. Ward, whom his Majesty has, at his desire, excused from that office. [*Ibid.*]

April 16. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover, the clerk of the Passage, or his deputy. Directing him to stop all persons arriving at that port or any member of it, whether provided with passes or not, and to send their names to London. [*Ibid., p.* 62.]

April 16. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is the King's pleasure that letters patent forthwith pass the Great Seal, constituting Sir George Treby his Attorney General, in the room of Sir Henry Pollexfen. [*Ibid.,*]

April 16. Whitehall. The same to Mr. [John] Temple. The King has constituted Mr. Bernard Ellis, lieutenant-governor of the Island of Guernsey and granted him the yearly sum of 300*l.* for discharging that duty. You are to take care that he is inserted on the Establishment. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 8.]

April 16. The same to the same. A letter to the like effect, adding that Mr. Ellis' salary is to commence from the 1st day of this instant April, being the date of his commission. [*Ibid., p.* 9.]

April 16. Whitehall. Warrant to Major Richardson, governor of Newgate, to permit Katherine Lucas to have access to Lieutenant Gawne and to be with him as long as she usually has been. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book,* 34, *p.* 289.]

April 16. Passes for Mr. Robert Steward and Mr. William MacGill, with —— Loghlin, a servant, to go to Ireland and to return. [*S.P. Dom.*

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Warrant Book 34, *p.* 288]; and for Toussaint Lambert and Mr. Frances Ferrars to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 290.]

April 17. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Constable, of Warminster, stating that he has for several years officiated as clerk of the peace under Lord Weymouth, then *Custos Rotulorum* for Wilts, and that last year he was under sheriff of the same county and active to prevent the designs of regulators of corporations, in so much that the late Lord Chancellor dismissed him from his clerkship. Prays for the office of Solicitor to the Treasury or to the Customs. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 17.]

April 17. Whitehaven. "John Kingsmill" to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I am as yet alive, but I do not think that the rabble will let me survive your answer hereto. An attorney here has discovered and averred to one John Gale, an over busy fellow, that before had imprisoned me, though discharged by a justice of peace, that my name is Evans. I only declare that I am the person intended in the pass. Please to send an absolute peremptory order to allow me either to go to Ireland or to return at my own pleasure. I had not come this way, but that at Chester I could not appear, lest I should be known to some gentlemen there. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 26.]

April 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal directing the appointment of John Somers, of the Middle Temple, Solicitor-General in the room of Sir George Treby. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 63.]

April 17. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of John Conyers as King's Counsel. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *pp.* 293 & 296.]

April 17. Passes for Sir William Stych, bart., Dr. Berry, Mr. John Sharplesse and Mr. Shipman, to go to Herefordshire and Cheshire and so to his [Sir Williams ?] house at Leighton and return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 289]; for Mr. Robert Honywood to go to the bishopric of Durham [*Ibid., p.* 290]; for Count Charles de Schomberg, with the officers accompanying him, their servants, and 30 horses, to go to Holland and return; for Charles Campbell, esq. to go to Scotland and return; for David Skinner and William Manson, of Lord Leven's regiment to go to Scotland; and for the ship *Joseph*, John Jones, master with 10 men and a boy, to go to Cadiz and Lisbon and return. [*Ibid., p.* 291.]

April 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles Herbert to be appointed Auditor General of the Revenue in Wales. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 74.]

April 18. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of Joseph Boson, master of the quay at Exeter, praying an allowance of an account for monies disbursed in his Majesty's service. Referred to the Treasury, to give the petitioner such satisfaction as of right belongs to him. [*Ibid.*]

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April 18. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain James Wisehart praying that, in consideration of his care and charge in the King's service, letters of recommendation to the Admiralty may be granted to him, to be captain of a ship of war. Referred to the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 75.]

April 18. Proceedings upon the petition of John Dodsworth, merchant, to be appointed king's waiter or land waiter. Referred to the Treasury, together with an annexed certificate, that it might be laid before the King when such vacancies shall happen as the petitioner is qualified for. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 76.]

April 18. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Thomas Atkins, knight, praying that, in consideration of his services in Ireland, and the loss of his estate there, through his steadfastness to the protestant cause, he might be granted the place of under-searcher in the Port of London. Referred to the Admiralty to consider of such employment as the Petitioner may be qualified for. [*Ibid.*]

April 18. Proceedings upon the petition of Susanna Clerk, stating that she was a servant to the Princess Royal, the King's mother, and praying for a pension. Referred to the Treasury, his Majesty being inclined to allow the petitioner some pension for her support. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 77.]

April 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Treasury. Requesting them to prepare a warrant for the appointment of Richard, Lord Bulkeley, Viscount Cashel in the Kingdom of Ireland, as chancellor and chamberlain of the counties of Anglesea, Carnarvon and Merioneth in North Wales. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 9.]

April 18. Scovestown. William Mordaunt to the Earl of Shrewsbury. In obedience to your instructions, I have committed two Irish papists, common soldiers, named Richard Brown and John Park. I have also secured one Alexander Fitzgerald, son of David Fitzgerald of Limerick, a papist but who does not own to have been a soldier, having received orders for securing Irish mariners and soldiers, but Mr. Fitzgerald being neither, I have confined him in my own house. I desire to know what to do with him. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 27.]

April 18. Dover. William Stokes, mayor of Dover. to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Upon receipt of your express, I stopped all persons bound for beyond sea and inclose a list. "John Kenton of this town, who with a "Dutch commission, sails in an English vessel, manned with "Englishmen, hath taken several French vessels laden with wine, "brandy, &c., one of which he took in Calais roads and brought "them into this port; and this day we have intelligence that three "English vessels, laden with coals, are taken by French privateers "and carried into Dunkirk." Suggests that for the safety of the town, militia should be quartered at Dover. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 28.] *Enclosing—*

List of persons stopped at Dover: Matteo Oddi, says he is an Italian, travelling from London to Rome; Mr. Thomas Shepherd

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of Westmoreland, has a pass and says that he is taking two children of Sir Thomas Strickland of Sizergh to their mother at St. Germains; Emmanuel Darasa, says he is a Portuguese, one of the Queen-Dowager's pages, and is going to Paris to be bound to a surgeon there; Francis Brunett says he is a Frenchman going to France to buy wine for the Duchess of Mazarin; John Baptista Morell, an Italian on his way to Italy; Monsieur Jolly, a Frenchman bound for Calais. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 28(i).]

April 18. Hampton Court. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Billingsley. Directing him to continue to arrest such persons entering Scotland as cannot give a good account of themselves. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 63.]

April 18. Channel. Row. The Lords of the Admiralty to the Earl of Shrewsbury. We again acquaint your lordship that the two advice vessels, hired for the West Indies, will be ready to-night, or to-morrow morning; and we desire you to let us know what orders we are to give the masters. [*H.O. Admiralty* 1, *No.* 4.]

April 18. Hampton Court. Warrant to swear Dr. John Tillotson, dean of Canterbury, as clerk of the closet. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book*, 57, *p.* 229,]

April 18. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Sir Rowland Gwynne of the office of Treasurer of the Chamber. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 292.]

April 18. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Attorney-General to prepare a signed bill creating Charles Dymock, of "Screelsby," [Scrivelsby] in the County of Lincoln, a baronet. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 294.]

April 18. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Sir Robert Sawyer, of the place of precedence in all places and upon all occasions, next after the counsel learned in the law; and also liberty of sitting and practising within the bar. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 60.]

April 18. Hampton Court. Warrant to swear Isaac Thompson as the King's water-engine maker. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 62.]

April 18. Warrant for a grant to Richard, Lord Bulkeley, of the office of the constable of Beaumaris. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 63.]

April 18. Passes for Mrs. Margaret Pynchon, with her son, two daughters, and a maid, to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 286]; for Scipio Van Hill, and Archibald Patton to join their regiment in Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 291.]; and for Mons. Lillieroot's ship to sail from Holland to France and Stockholm in Sweden. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 292.]

April 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. "The two ships" are to be kept in readiness to sail as soon as they may be required. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 64.]

April 19. Whitehall. The same to the Lord Great Chamberlain, enclosing an extract of a letter from Stamford in order that he may inform himself of the facts. [*Ibid.*]

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April 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord President of the Marches of Wales. Encloses a letter, that he may take measures to suppress the meetings of the disaffected persons therein mentioned. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 64.]

April 19. Dover. John Ward to Francis Bastinck, "at the General Post Office, London." On Saturday last, five or six privateers appeared off this port. One of them took a small Ostend "pinck" in our roads, and carried her into Calais. Since yesterday, two Dunkirkers, with two or three small Calais privateers, have been cruising hereabouts, there being not one man-of-war to oppose them. They have made several prizes. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 29.]

April 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Robert Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower; "Whereas "it hath been represented to us that George, Lord Jeffreys, a prisoner "under your custody in our Tower of London, is deceased, and that "(as it appears by an inquisition of a jury taken upon oath) of a "natural death. Our will and pleasure is that you forthwith deliver "the body of the said late Lord Jeffreys to his relations in order "to be buried in what place and in such manner as they shall think "fit." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 295.]

April 19. Whitehall. Passes for Margaret Spencer and Julian Nevill, with six children to go to Isles of Scilly; for Mr. Brian Blair and Mr. Thomas Stuart to go to Scotland and to return; for William Hooker, master of the ship *Sophia* of Leith, with 23 soldiers and 12 or 14 men, to go to Leith in Scotland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 295]; for Peter Gervise, master of the ship *Cherry Tree*, with 20 of his Majesty's domestic servants and 10 horses, to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 296]; and for Henry Allen to go to Milford. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 64.]

April 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires that the Hon. Arthur Stanhope, Sir Thomas Willoughby, bart., Sir Willoughby Hickman, bart., and Francis Pierrepoint, esq., be added to the commission of the peace for Nottinghamshire. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 65.]

April 20. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. All the persons stopped by you may be released, with the exception of John Baptista Morell, who is to be delivered "to such person as shall bring my order to receive him." All his papers are to be seized and sent to me. No one is to be allowed to cross from Dover without a pass signed by a Secretary of State. [*Ibid.*]

April 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The King would have you give order that the ships designed for the Mediterranean and Narrow Seas, be made ready to sail with all speed, and that, as soon as any of them are in readiness, they sail immediately and endeavour to join the fleet, under the command of Admiral Herbert; and his Majesty would have each ship, as well great as small, use all diligence herein and sail singly, rather than lose any time in staying for the company of others. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 10.]

April 20. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King commands me to let you know that he would have the Earl of Rutland made *Custos Rotulorum* of the county of Leicester, and to

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signify his pleasure that Arthur Stanhope, esq., Sir Thomas Wiloughby, bart., Sir Wiloughby Hickman, bart., and Francis Pierpoint, esq., be in the Commission of the Peace for Nottinghamshire. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 10.]

April 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Archbishop of Canterbury. "The "King being informed that a great number of the Irish clergy, being "driven over hither, many of them are in a starving condition; and "being desirous to give them all the relief he can for their support "and maintenance, commands me to recommend it to your grace to "forbear bestowing the lesser preferments in the Church, which are "in your gift, for some convenient time, that a present provision "may be made, by sequestration, for such of these clergymen who "shall be judged worthy by those whom his Majesty shall employ "to that purpose, which his Majesty would have your grace "recommend likewise to my lords the bishops in your province. "And his Majesty commands me assure you that no advantage by "lapse or otherwise shall be taken of such delay or forbearance in "filling up any such vacant benefices." *A like letter, of the same date, was sent to the Archbishop of York.* [*Ibid.*, *p.* 11.]

April 20. Whitehall. The same to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, to the same effect as the foregoing. [*Ibid.*]

April 20. Proceedings upon the petition of William Nutt, praying, in consideration of a debt owing him from Charles II., for the first clerk of the check's place that shall become vacant in any of the dockyards. Referred to the Admiralty to provide for the petitioner as there shall be vacancy, and as he shall be found qualified. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *pp.* 79 & 81.]

April 20. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Tichborne for the place of King's waiter in the Custom House, in consideration of his great losses in Ireland. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 79.]

April 20. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles Melville for a post in the Customs, or the Excise. Referred to the Treasury, to be considered of when any vacancies happen in the offices of the revenue, and when "those who served in Ireland come to be provided for." [*Ibid.*]

April 20. Whitehall. Appointment of George Oxinden as judge official and commissary of the Court of Admiralty of the Cinque Ports. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 64.]

April 20. Whitehall. Warrant for a yearly pension of 1000*l.* to George, Viscount Grandison, late Captain of the Yeomen of the Guard. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 68.]

April 20. Council Chamber. Reference by the Lords of the Committee for Trade and Plantations to the Treasury, of the petition of the merchants trading to the Elbe, for liberty for the *Mayflower*, and other ships bound for Hamburg, to proceed on their voyages. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 30.]

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April 20. Post office, York. P. Dawson [postmaster at York] to Major John Wildman. The enclosed being brought to my office, I thought fit to send it to your honour. I am but of late standing in the office, being put in by the Earl of Danby and Sir Henry Goodricke. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 31.]

April 20. Newcastle. Major John Wildman to Mr. Wynne. Forwarding a letter that Lord Shrewsbury may see what is written about the sea coast, and a second to show the neglect of the postmaster. The letters from Hampton Court which ought to reach this office by midnight or 1 a.m., are often delayed until 5 or 6 o'clock. [*Ibid., No.* 32.]

April 20. Newcastle-on-Tyne. Col. Anthony Heyford to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Yesterday Lord Selkirk passing hence, on his way from Scotland to the Court, informed me privately, that one Brady who came out of Ireland, had been arrested in Scotland in possession of many letters including some written by the late King James to Sir John Fenwick Lord Griffin and Sir Theophilus Oglethorpe. Lord Selkirk agreed with me that it would be serviceable to his Majesty to arrest Sir John. After my lord took horse, I consulted with Lord Delamere's major and Lord Devonshire's chief officer, together with the Captain of our own regiment, who all thought it most proper. I accordingly sent a detachment with a civil letter to Sir John Fenwick, asking him to surrender himself a prisoner, which he did, and I have put him, where he chose, at the Town Clerk's house with an officer to wait on him. I have likewise given verbal orders to seize Lord Griffin and Col. Oglethorpe if they can be met with. [*Ibid., No.* 33]. *Enclosing—*

Copy of a letter, dated 19 *April, asking Sir John Fenwick to surrender himself a prisoner.* [*Ibid. No.* 33 (i).]

April 20. Newcastle-on-Tyne. The same to the same. Since writing the above, I have intelligence from an officer of Lord Devonshire's regiment of a concourse of horsemen armed, about 70 or 80 at least. They meet three times a week sometimes at Lord Radcliffe's at Dilston, other times at Lord Witherington's. This morning Lord Witherington went away from his own house with at least 16 armed horsemen. Colonel Oglethorpe was in this country about a fortnight ago. [*Ibid., No.* 33(a).]

April 20. Passes for Mr. John Williams and Mr. Edward Robson to go to Flanders and return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 293]; and for James Rocheid and James Caithcart to go to Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 297.]

April 20. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse to receive into custody Robert Scott, Robert Rowell, Murdo Mackenzie, Andrew McDonell, John Cumming, William Baily, John Fleming, and John Stainson, "Scots' mutineers," for high treason. [*Ibid., p.* 305.]

April 21. Hampton Court. Warrant for a Treasury warrant to pay William, Lord Paget, Envoy Extraordinary to the Emperor of Germany, 500*l.* for his equipage, and 5*l.* a day for his ordinary entertainment, and such sums as he shall expend for intelligences, expresses, &c. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 65.]

April 21. The like for Thomas, Earl of Pembroke, Ambassador Extraordinary to the States General, to have 1,500*l.* for his equipage, and 100*l.* a week for his ordinary entertainment. [*Ibid., p.* 66.]

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April 21. Warrant for William Duncombe, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Sweden, to have 500*l.* for his equipage and 5*l.* a day for his ordinary entertainment. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 67.]

April 21. The like for Sir Paul Ricaut to be Resident at the Hanse Towns and to have 3*l.* a day for his ordinary entertainment. [*Ibid.*]

April 22. Apthorpe. The Earl of Westmorland to the Earl of Shrewsbury, asking that Mr. Lesly, his chaplain, who has but a poor living of 60*l.* a year, may be recommended to the Bishop of Salisbury for a prebend or other preferment. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 34.]

April 22. Col. Sir Robert Douglas to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Certifying that Alexander Munro and William Sinkler, late privates in the Royal regiment of foot, are "persons not suspected"; they wish to have leave to go to Mr. Gawne to settle accounts with him, and as Lieutenant Gawne was agent I believe there is money owing to them. *Seal broken.* [*Ibid., No.* 35.]

April 22. Dover. William Stokes, mayor of Dover, to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] According to his instructions he has secured John Baptista Morell in close custody and seized all the papers found upon him. None shall cross over but such as have passes from a Secretary of State. [*Ibid., No.* 36.]

April 22. Yarmouth, Isle of Wight. Sir Robert Holmes to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have searched the ship suspected of carrying lead and powder to Ireland, and found lead, but no powder; "the barrels that were taken to be powder prove pepper." The vessel is here still under the general embargo as well as a great many others. "I could wish that we were rid of "these Irish for I am afraid some attempts may be made by France "to get them off." If the ships appointed for their carriage cannot get a wind to bring them to this island the best way will be to hire others here, which may easily be done. Some ships of the Virginia Fleet drop in here daily. Lord Howard of Effingham and that part of the fleet bound for London are believed to have passed. [*Ibid., No.* 37.]

April 22. Durham. Capt. G. Kellum to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. "I was none of "the last that, at his Majesty's arrival, declared for him, and have, "with the small remainder of my fortune, completed a troop, and am "now going at the head of it to venture my life in his cause." Yet I have been put out of my place at court, and am ordered to turn out of my lodgings I must entreat that some compensation may be given to me. [*Ibid., No.* 38.]

April 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir William Turner, stating that in the reign of King Charles the Second he was solicitor to the Treasury with a salary of 200*l.* a year, of which 75*l.* is still due to him; that he was put out of his post and Mr. Philip Burto[n], a person now in custody, was put in his place; that he was forced to fly from London for fear of the papists, because he was foreman of the jury who brought in a Bill against James, Duke of York for being a papist and found the Bill. The petitioner prays for his

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arrears, and to be restored to his old place, or some other. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 18.]

April 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Pike, of the City of London, stating that when the King was at Exeter, he informed Marshall Schomberg that there were forty volunteers then ready to join him; that Justinian Sherbourne, who is now waggoner to the ordnance, was a convert to the Romish religion in the time of King James, and since is turned protestant to keep his place, though it is believed that in truth he is still a Papist. The petitioner prays to be appointed waggoner to the ordnance. Referred to the Duke of Schomberg, as master-general of the Ordnance, for a report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 19.]

April 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Carter, stating that he was the first who, from Plymouth, appeared in arms for the King, and that he was employed by Sir Joseph Tredenham and the Earl of Bath in bringing news to his Majesty of the surrender of that citadel, and in which service he rode several days and nights and thus lost a very good horse; that on account of his religion he was obliged to leave Ireland, and by not consenting to the repeal of the penal laws and tests, he lost an employment he might have had. The petitioner prays for employment in the Custom House of London. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 22.]

April 22. Hampton Court. Commission for Morris Bertie to be guidon and major in the second troop of Horse Guards. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 28.]

April 22. Whitehall. Warrant to Captain Gilbert Thomas, provost-marshall, directing him to repair to the hospitals at Clerkenwell, Bridewell, and any other place where the "Scots' mutineers" are confined, and to take into his custody all the persons mentioned in the annexed list [*list not entered*], except those to whose names a cross is affixed, and to distribute and dispose of them in accordance with the orders given by Sir Robert Douglas. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 298.]

April 22. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to receive into custody Thomas Drury, James Innes, Donald Bayne, Robert Maxwell, Humphrey Cohoon, John Laing, John Bayne, William Brodig, Robert Johnston, Joseph Coltret (?) Patrick Cunningham, and William Browne charged with high treason. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 299.]

April 22. Passes for Mr. Thomas Dumbarton and Mr. Robert Plunkett to go to Scotland and return; for Peter Browne with his daughter and son-in-law to go to Flanders; for Adam Short, with his wife, Isabel Short, and his three children, Abigall Short, Mary Short, and Allagunda (*sic*) Short to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book*, *p.* 297]; for Lieut. Booth, in Col. Fitzpatrick's regiment to go to West Chester, and to return [*Ibid.*, *p.* 298]; for John Wallace, servant to Lord Edward Murray, to go to Scotland and to return; for Capt. Dugall to go to Scotland; for Lieut. Coline Campbell to go to Scotland; and for Capt. Perrota to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 299.]

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April 23. Certificate signed by Garrett Cotter, living in Greek Street, and Francis Borgis, living in Leicester Fields, that Mr. Samuel Johnson and Mr. William Botley, and their servant, Richard Thomson, being all good protestants, have lawful occasion to repair to Mr. Cattorn and Mr. Greefie, both living at Berwick. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 39.]

April 23. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Wroth, stating that he is now commander of the ship *Hannah*, carrying 30 guns, in the service of the Royal African Company, and praying for the command of a frigate. Referred to the Admiralty, with instructions to find such employment for the petitioner as he shall be fit for. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 20.]

April 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Admiralty. Recommending Mr. Wilmore for a commissioner's place in the Victualling Office. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 65.]

April 23. Passes for Sir Francis Bridgeman, knt., to go to France or Flanders; for Captain Rowland Danvers, and a serjeant and servant, to go to Warwickshire, and thereabouts, to raise recruits; and for Mr. John Thomas, to go to Billing, in Northamptonshire, and to Scarborough and return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 300.]

April 24. Major John Wildman to [Owen Wynne.] I think it my duty to offer Lord Shrewsbury the sight of the intelligence I have from Scotland. Tell him also that "I find some have waylaid the post "for Scotland, about Durham or Newcastle, or else they have bribed "a postmaster and broke open the Scotch mail and bag; and by "comparing the charge of letters on the postmaster of Edinburgh "with his return, I find eight letters were taken out of the Scotch "mail." I find letters are now sent from the late King and his secret agents to some Northern gentleman as appears by the inclosed. I hear from Chester that the regiments of Colonel Cunningham and Colonel Richards that were so long since sent for Derry are come back with the man-of-war, and that the town is in great hazard to be surrendered. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 40.]

April 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires that the following be added to the list of justices of the peace for the county of Middlesex:—the Hon. Henry Paget, Sir John Reresby and Sir Henry Ashurst, baronets, Sir Thomas Lane and Sir Charles Umfrevile, knights, Ralph Burcholt, Thomas Owen and Thomas Johnson of Mill End, junior, esquires. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 66.]

April 24. Whitehall. The same to the mayor, justices, and aldermen of Exeter. Enclosing a petition from Joseph Boson, complaining that he has been ousted from a place which he held by lease. You are either to restore him to his place, or to return the petition with your reasons for "his being outed" *In the margin* "not sent." [*Ibid.*]

April 24. Memorandum that Commissions, were sent to Col. Lundy for a lieut-colonel, major, ten captains, a captain-lieutenant, 12 other lieutenants, and 13 ensigns, all in blank. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 28.]

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April 24. Whitehall. Commissions for Col. Robert Lundy to be colonel of a regiment of foot, raised, or to be raised. [*H.O. Military Entry Book*, 2, *p.* 28]; and for the same to the Constable of Culmore Fort in Ireland [*Ibid., p.* 29.]

April 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Duke of Hamilton. The bearer, Captain Frederick Hamilton, being sent upon the King's service into Ireland, and directed to go into Scotland, and thence to pass into that kingdom, his Majesty commands me to recommend him, to you to give him a pass and what other assistance shall be necessary, that he may meet with no obstruction in travelling through Scotland or in embarking. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 12.]

April 24. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of Mary Thompson, charged with employing several persons at her house in printing divers seditious libels against the King and the government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 302.]

April 24. Warrant to Major Richardson, keeper of Newgate, to permit Alexander Monro and William Sinclair, who have matters of account with Lieutenant Gawne, to visit him. [*Ibid.*]

April 24. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrant for Mons. de Friyodiere to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 300]; for Captain Leigh and Captain Young to go to Newcastle-upon-Tyne and to return; for William Mackintosh, esq., to go to Edinburgh [*Ibid., p.* 301]; for Captain Frederick Hamilton to go from London to Berwick on his way to Edinburgh; and for the same, with three horses, to go to Edinburgh. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 69.]

April 25. Dover. William Stokes, mayor of Dover, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I sent the letters and papers found upon John Baptista Morell, and desire to be discharged of him. I fear, that prohibiting all persons, not having passes, from crossing over the seas will cause a great loss to the revenue. At present, by the instructions grounded upon the commission for the passage at Dover, known merchants are allowed to pass, being first examined before the commission and having a passport from them. All passengers going hence to Calais pay five shillings for their passage, and to Newport ten shillings. If this restriction be continued, men will pass from places where they pay no duty. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 41.]

April 25. Isle of Wight. Sir Robert Holmes to the Earl of Shrewsbury. This morning there was a master of a Virginiaman that was chased within the Island by a French privateer; the master defended himself and the privateer quitted him. But he took another English ship not far from him and sailed away presently for the coast of France. If care be not taken, the privateers will do a great deal of mischief. In time of war there were always Commissioners of Prizes, the governor of the Isle of Wight being one; the Prize Office was in this Island. I would willingly serve his Majesty in that employment. [*Ibid., No.* 42.]

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April 25. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to discharge Corporal James Hall. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 302.]

April 25. Whitehall. Warrant for the appointment of Sir Christopher Wren, knt., of (1) the office of surveyor of the works, to hold during pleasure, with the fee of 2*s.* a day for himself, and 6*d.* for his clerk, and an allowance of 4*s.* a day "for his diet, boat hire and riding charges;" and (2) of the office of comptroller of the works of Windsor Castle with the fee of 6*d.* a day. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 303.]

April 25 Whitehall. Warrant directing that no fee be taken in any office for passing a grant of the dignity of a baron, earl, marquis, and duke of this kingdom to Marshal Schomberg. [*Ibid. p.* 304.]

April 25. Warrant to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower, to detain James, Earl of Salisbury, Henry, Earl of Peterborough, Sir Edward Hales, Charles Hales, Obediah Walker, Sir Thomas Jenner, Richard Grahme, Philip Burton, Thomas Russell, and James, Earl of Arran, now in custody under suspicion of high treason, until they shall be delivered by due course of law. [*Ibid.*] *In the margin: "This warrant is altered on the next page." The warrant there entered* (*p.* 306) *bears the same date but omits the name of Thomas Russell.*

April 25. Whitehall. Warrant for Robert, Lord Lexington, to be envoy-extraordinary to the Elector of Brandenburg, and to have 500*l.* for his equipage and 5*l.* a day for his ordinary entertainment. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 67.]

April 25. Whitehall. Warrant to detain in custody Benedict Macarty, Thomas Rough, Francis Calamy, otherwise Du Calamy, Charles Pulton and John Leybourn, on suspicion of high treason. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 69.]

April 25. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Henry Hills, on suspicion of high treason [*Ibid.*, *p.* 70.]

April 25. Warrant for a grant to Philip Musgrave, of the office of clerk of the delivery of ordnance, artillery &c. [*Ibid.*]

April 25. Whitehall. Appointment of William Chiffinch, as keeper of Hyde Park. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 71.]

April 25. Warrant for Sir William Dutton Colt, to be envoy-extraordinary to the Princes of Brunswick and Lunenburg and to have 500*l.* for his equipage and 5*l.* a day for his ordinary entertainment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 72.]

April 25. Hampton Court. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King directs that Mr. John Trenchard be constituted Chief Justice of Chester. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 67.]

April 25. [The same] to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Enclosing a list of persons to be made sergeants-at-law:—Sir Henry Pollexfen, Nathaniel Bond, John Blincoe, John Powell, of the inner Temple, Nicholas Lechmere, Peyton Ventris, John Trenchard, John Turton John Treemaine, Henry Hastell, Roger Belwood, of the Middle Temple Thomas Rokeby, William Woogan, John Thurban, of Gray's Inn and

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Giles Eyre of Lincoln Inn. . Commissions are to issue for the appointment of judges. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 67.]

April 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Col. Heyford. Expressing the King's approval of his conduct in arresting Sir John Fenwick; wishes him to do the same with regard to Lord Preston, Lord Griffin and Sir Theophilus Oglethorpe, if they can be met with. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 68.]

April 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commander-in-Chief of the convoy and ships appointed to carry arms and ammunition to Londonderry. Encloses an order in council [*wanting*] "In case you shall not "receive this till you are sailed beyond the Land's End, his "Majesty would then have you go to Chester and there take care to "unlade the arms designed for Londonderry according to such orders "as shall be sent from the Master-General of the Ordnance; but if "this should find you on this side the Land's End, then you are to "stop in the next safe port, according to directions of the enclosed "order, and give an account of your proceedings herein." [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 12.]

April 25. Whitehall. The same to Admiral Herbert. I send you, enclosed, the copy of an order of the Privy Council, whereby you will understand what directions they have given for stopping the arms and ammunition intended for Londonderry; the reason whereof is that, according to the advice the King has received of the condition to which that place was reduced, there is too much reason to fear that the enemy is possessed of it. His Majesty would therefore have you give order to the ships that are to carry those arms, and the convoy appointed to guard them, that, in case they are sailed beyond the Land's End, they go to Chester, and there unload their arms, according to such orders as shall be sent thither from the Master General of the Ordnance. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 13.]

April 25. Whitehall. The same "to the Captain of any of his Majesty's frigates at Plymouth." The King commands me to send you the enclosed letter for Admiral Herbert, and would have you set sail, as soon as you can, and carry it to him, or send it, with all speed, by some other vessel, as you shall find it most convenient for the service; and this his Majesty would have you take care of and see done, notwithstanding the orders given for laying an embargo. If you should meet with any obstruction in the performance hereof you are to acquaint his Majesty's officers with his pleasure herein, in order to the removing any impediment that may be given. In case you shall meet with the ships and convoy, appointed to carry the arms and ammunition to Londonderry, before they join Admiral Herbert's fleet, you are to deliver, to one of the commanders, the letter which will be herewith given you by the messenger, whereby they will understand the King's pleasure which they must pursue; and if you send another vessel, you must give the commander thereof the like directions, which having performed, he may return to Plymouth and give me an account thereof. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 14.]

April 25. Whitehall. The same to Admiral Herbert. Acknowledging receipt of his letter of the 17th inst.; the arms and ammunition intended for Londonderry have been stopped, as it is feared that the town has been taken. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 15.]

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April 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Nicholas Hill, one of his Majesty's messengers. You are to make all speed to Torbay, and in case the convoy and ships appointed to carry arms, &c. to Londonderry, are still there to deliver to the captain of such ships the letter marked No. 1. Should the said ships have gone from thence, you are to proceed to Plymouth, and there deliver the letter No. 1, if the ships are in that port; "if not, you must deliver it to the captain of one of his "Majesty's frigates at Plymouth, together with another letter directed to him marked No. 2, and a letter to Admiral Herbert marked No. 3." If you meet with the ships at Torbay or Plymouth you are to return, after delivering letters Nos. 1 and 3 and bring back letters Nos. 2 and 4. "If the said convoy and ships are neither at "Torbay nor Plymouth, you must go on to Falmouth, and if you "meet them in that port, you must deliver to the captain or "commander-in-chief, the letter marked No. 4, and then return to "Plymouth, and if the captain of the frigate be not sailed, you must "desire him to deliver back to you the letters marked Nos. 1 and 2 "and bring them to me." [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 16.]

April 25. Proceedings upon the petition of Tobias Garbrand, and his wife and Samuel Miller and his wife, the two women being sisters and heirs of Robert Mayott, who left 600*l.* to nonconformist ministers, without naming them, whereby the will was illegal, and praying that they may receive the said money. Referred to the Attorney-General for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 77.]

April 25. Proceedings upon the petitions of Samuel Heyrick, bookseller, for a waiter's place in the Custom House, London. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 78.]

April 25. Proceedings upon the petition of John Black, Stephen Black, and Zachary Baily, clothiers, praying an order for the payment of 250*l.*, lent for the King's service at Salisbury. Referred to the Treasury to direct the repayment to them of money so advanced. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 80.]

April 25. Whitehall. Proclamation prohibiting the importation of all sorts of manufactures and commodities of the growth, production, or manufacture of France. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 18.]

April 25. Whitehall. Declaration by the King and Queen for encouraging French protestants to transport themselves into this Kingdom. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 19.]

April 25. Commission for Colonel Thomas Fairfax to be colonel of the foot. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 30.]

April 25. Passes for Captain Alexander Straton, Captain Burnett, Captain William Sharp, Captain William Bell, Captain Robert Read, Lieut. Robert Wisbitt (*sic*) Lieutenant Robert Wood, Ensign Murdo Macensey, and Ensign Alexander Vans to go to Scotland to raise recruits for Colonel Francis Fergus D'Offarrells regiment of foot and to embark with such recruits for the King's service in Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 299]; for the Hon. Robert Bulkeley with his servant, to go to Beaumaris, in Anglesey and

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return [*Ibid.*, *p.* 304]; for Mr. George Wishart to go to Scotland and return; for Lieutenant-Colonel Lumley, Sir Richard Bassett, Captain Crowther and 6 servants, to go to Berwick; and for Captain Bell to go to Scotland to raise recruits for the King's service and to embark for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 305.]

April 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the mayor of Dover. You may release Morell and allow him to go beyond sea, as he appears not to be the person suspected. Any other person of that name coming your way is to be stopped. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 68.]

April 26. Whitehall. License to John Wyndham, high sheriff of Wilts, to live out of the said county during his shrievalty. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 7.]

April 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Trenchard, praying for the post of auditor of the revenue in Wales, which is now vacant, owing to the fact that Sir William Godolphin is a papist. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 20.]

April 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Nicoll, of the Inner Temple, praying that the liberty of free-warren upon Barnet Common in the manors of Chipping and East Barnet, which was formerly a wood, but of late years laid waste and used as a common, may be confirmed to him under a fee farm rent of 6*s.* 8*d.* a year, the said manors being now vested in him and his trustees, and the said liberty being expressed and contained in the title deeds of the same. Referred to the Attorney-General for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 21.]

April 26. Passes for "Walkisson Pawler, esq., son to Sir Walkisson Payler," to go to his father's house near Bawtry; for Mons. Odet Francois Signard to go to France and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 305]; and for Major Fletcher, Captain Townley, Captain Coote, Captain Nevill, Lieut. Rookesby, Lieut. Colombier, Ensign More, and eight servants, in Col. Beaumont's regiment, to go to Carlisle. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 306.]

April 26-27. A list of those places to which letters were sent touching the relief of prisoners:—Carlisle, Whitehaven, Liverpool, Chester, Holyhead, Beaumaris, Milford Haven, Bristol, Minehead, St. Ives, Padstow, and Gravesend. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 59.]

April 27. Proceedings upon the petition of William Fanshawe for the continuance of his pension of 400*l.* a year. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 78.]

April 27. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Richard Hopton, at Kington in Herefordshire. Enclosing an information, received by the Privy Council, of certain words spoken against the King by Mr. John Cross. You are to examine into the matter and deal "with the said "Cross according to law, as the merits of his case shall require," and report your proceedings to me. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 17.]

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April 27. Whitehall. Pass for Elias Montaes, a lieutenant in Col. Wharton's regiment, to go to Jersey or Guernsey; and post-warrant for Benjamin Jackson to go to Chatsworth. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 72.]

April 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Officer, or Commander-in-Chief, and magistrates of Londonderry. "I have sent this letter by an "express to acquaint you that His Majesty is highly offended with "the officers that brought back his forces which were lately sent to "you, and I am commanded by His Majesty to assure you of his "resolution to send to your relief with all possible speed a general "officer with four regiments of foot together with arms, ammunition, "and provisions, and also money, which you may therefore expect "within a few days after the arrival of this messenger, who has "orders to return immediately and bring an account of your "condition, that His Majesty may take such further care as shall be "necessary to defend and support you." [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 18.]

April 28. Whitehall. The same to John Stephens, one of His Majesty's messengers. "You are, immediately upon receipt hereof, to go post to Liverpool, "and hire a small vessel to go to Londonderry; and upon your "arrival there, if you find that place in the hands of the protestants, "you are to deliver my letter to the officer, or commander in chief, "and the magistrates of it. You are to inform yourself, the best "you can, of the state of Londonderry, as to the quantity of "provisions, arms, and ammunition there, as also of the number of "men fit to bear arms, and then, with all speed, to return to "Liverpool. In case you shall meet, in your return, the ships that "are to transport the regiments to Londonderry, before you arrive "at Liverpool, you are to give a true account of the state of "Londonderry, and of your proceedings, to Major Gen. Kirke or "such other of his Majesty's officers as shall command the forces "designed for that place; and afterwards you are to return to "London and give me the like account of your proceedings." [*Ibid.*]

April 28. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Liverpool. The King having thought fit to send the bearer, John Stevens, one of his messengers, to Liverpool, with directions to hire a small vessel there, to carry him to Londonderry, his Majesty would have you give the said messenger all the assistance he shall want in hiring the said vessel and otherwise in order to his embarking and sailing thence with all speed, notwithstanding the embargo lately laid on all ships and vessels. which must be no obstruction in this case. [*Ibid., p.* 19.]

April 28. — May 8. The Camp at Tirlemont. The Prince of Waldeck to the King, enclosing details showing the disposition of the allied forces. The posts of the enemy's army, and those of our forces, are now in contact here. I have been obliged to summon the Spaniards to me, our cavalry being too weak for the numerous sallies required of them. Complains of delay in sending requisite supplies. The Elector of Brandenburg hinders me very much, by retaining with him 2,000 horse, and a large body of infantry, belonging to the army of the States: the people round him, through jealousy, are continually suggesting new and absurd schemes to him. I am trying to place this army in safety, to arrange matters

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with the Marquis de Castanaga and then to go to the Rhine to prepare for the attack on Kaisersworth, in which the Elector wishes to assist in person; and after the capture of that place, to leave with the Elector a portion of the troops and to advance with the rest along the Meuse, after destroying the fort and the bridge at Bonn. Then, I shall attack the enemy here, in concert with the Spaniards and the Duke of Lorraine, who has driven the French out of Cassel before Mayence. Where he intends to cross the Rhine, is not known to me. He has with him "sur le papir," 40,000 men. Enclosed is an account of what happened at Namur, and of the misfortune that befel Mons. d'Alva. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 19.]

April 28. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for John Stevens to go to Londonderry *viâ* Liverpool [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 20]; and for Mr. Morice Cotterell to go to Northumberland and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 306.]

April 29. Instructions to Major-Gen. Percy Kirke. You are to repair to Liverpool and there hire a sufficient number of merchant ships to carry your regiment, and those of Col. Cunningham, Sir John Hanmer, and Col. Richards, to Londonderry, if such ships are not already hired by Col. Trelawney. If the frigates *Swallow*, *Jersey*, or the *Bonadventure*, or others, be at Liverpool, you are to cause one of them to convoy the said regiments, and a ship with provisions, lying at Chester or Liverpool. You are also to cause the two merchant ships under the convoy of Capt. Thomas Hobson, commander of the *Bonadventure*, to be loaded at Topsham with 5,000 firearms, 400 barrels of powder, 3,000 bandoliers, 38,000 pounds of lead, 40,000 pounds of match, and 500 hand grenades, to accompany him to Londonderry. When arrived at Londonderry, you are to take possession of the same town, if it be not in the hands of the enemy. The convoy is to cruise between Ireland and Scotland to intercept the enemy's transport; the captain of the frigate to follow your instructions till discharged by you. You are also to receive 5,000*l.* for the use of the said regiments, and for other necessary occasions. Should the said town be in the hands of the enemy, you are to return, with the said ships, to Liverpool or Chester and quarter the said regiments there. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 33.]

April 29. Instructions to Brigadier-General Charles Trelawney. "You are "to repair to Liverpool and to hire ships [as set out in the instructions "to Major-General Kirke] and to provision the same. You are to "deliver the King's orders to the captains of the frigates now at "Liverpool and to give notice to the four French officers and the "engineers now at Liverpool to accompany the regiments to London-"derry. You are also to give notice to Major-General Kirke at "Carlisle, or on the road thereto, of the King's instructions." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 35.]

April 29. Hampton Court. Warrant directing the commander of one of the ships at Liverpool to convoy Major-General Kirke, and four regiments, to Londonderry, notwithstanding any orders from Admiral Herbert. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

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April 29. Hampton Court. Warrant directing that any ships hired by Col. Charles Trelawney, to carry Major-General Kirke and the four regiments to Londonderry, shall be permitted to sail, notwithstanding any embargo laid upon them. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 37.]

April 29. Hampton Court. Warrant for the presentation of Thomas Aston, clerk, to the vicarage of Stonehouse, in the county of Gloucester. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 13.]

April 29. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of John Dormer as assistant Master of the Ceremonies in cases only where Sir Charles Cottrell, the younger, Master of the Ceremonies, cannot be present. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 74.]

April 29. Hampton Court. Proclamation for recalling and prohibiting seamen from serving foreign princes and states. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 20.]

April 29. Hampton Court. Proclamation for prohibiting seamen from deserting their Majesties service. [*Ibid., No.* 21.]

April 29. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. "I am "commanded by the King to remind you of His Majesty's former "orders for sending more ships to Admiral Herbert, with all possible "speed; for he has but 13 with him, and complains of the ill-fitting "out of the ships, as the occasion that some that were with him "have been forced to return into port. He intends to cruise before "Brest, of which the ships, now ready to sail, should have notice." I desire to know where the ship is that convoyed the arms from Torbay, and what orders were given to the captain as to his return or going on other service. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 20.]

April 29. Passes for Lord Kingston's secretary to go to Derby; for Rene Anne de Iancourt Villarnovil to go to Holland; for Guillaume Chaufort de Berguerolle, page to the Queen, to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 306]; for Col. Earl to go to Bristol [*Ibid., p.* 307]; for Paul Sarotti, Resident from the Republic of Venice, Jean Ambrose his son, Francis Maria Stalio, Jean Baptista Baselli, Dominic Polatto, all subjects of the State of Venice; John Fortuna, of Florence; and William Joy, an English groom, to go beyond seas [*Ibid., p.* 308]; and for Thomas Dalmahoy to embark at Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.,* 35, *p.* 74]

April 30. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Orme, praying, in consideration of his loyalty to the protestant religion, for a post as under-searcher, in the port of London, or for that of a riding surveyor. Referred to the Treasury, the King being inclined to do something for the petitioner. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 80.]

April 30. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to William Harbord, of the rangership of St. James' Park. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 73.]

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April 30. Passes or post-warrants for Lieut.-Col. Shenton, Lieut.-Col. King, Lieut. Ward, Mr. King, chaplain, with another chaplain, Madam Bridgeman, Madam Hope, Madam Wilkins, and six servants, to go to Harwich, for Holland; for Davidt Tuets Van Ameronge to go to Holland; for Cornet John Swan to go to Carlisle; for Captain Bell and Captain Read to go to Scotland to raise recruits; for Peter Murray and John Carr, recommended by Lady Brudenell, to go to Scotland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 307]; for Frederic Cascho and his son to go to Venice, and for Alexander Mackenzie and David Mackferson to go to Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 308.]

[April.] An Abstract of the numbers and pay of the English forces sent into Holland.—"The 2nd troop of Guards and Granadiers, 256 men and 31 officers; the Earle of Oxford's regiment, 450 men and 85 officers; the Coldstream regiment, 1,360 men and 192 officers; the Royal regiment, 1,560 men and 295 officers; the regiment of Scots' Guards, 1,106 men and 146 officers; The regiment of Fusiliers, 780 men, and 150 officers; Prince George's regiment, 780 men, and 148 officers; Colonel Churchill's regiment, ditto; Colonel John Hales', ditto; Sir David Colliers', ditto; Colonel Hodges', ditto; Colonel Fitzpatrick's, ditto; Colonel O'Farrell's, ditto." Also an Abstract of the "establishment" for the English forces in Holland, amounting to 265,000*l.* per annum. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 20.]

[April.] Caveat that no grant pass relating to the custody of the records in the Tower, or any fee or allowance concerning the same, till notice thereof be first given to Mr William Petyt at his chamber against the church in the Inner Temple, London. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 5.]

[April.] Caveat that no grant pass relating to the place of Master of the Tennis Courts, till notice be first given to Horatio Moor, esq., at Mr. Wait's house, a salesman, at the "Golden Hart" in the Strand, near the Savoy. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 6.]

April. Whitehall. Commission for Charles Butler to be guidon and major of the first troop of Horse Guards, commanded by Richard, Viscount Lumley. [*H.O. Military Entry Books* 2, *p.* 25.]

[April.] Commission for appointing Lieut.-Governor Ellis, of the Island of Guernsey, to act in the absence of Christopher, Viscount Hatton, Governor thereof. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 27.]

April. Commissions for George Primrose to be cornet to Captain Horatio Walpole, in Colonel Edward Villiers' regiment of Horse; and for William Bell to be lieutenant to Captain John Lloyd, in the same regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 31.]

April. Commission for George Primrose to be adjutant to Colonel Edward Villiers' regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 32.]

April. Warrant for the arrest of Captain Francis Brathwait, at Whitehaven. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 297.]

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April. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Charles, Marquis of Winchester, of the title Duke of Bolton. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 488.]

April. Warrant for a grant to create Viscount Falconberg, Earl Falconberg. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 56.]

April. Whitehall. Pass for Hugh Hughes. late English Secretary in the Imperial Courts, resident at Ratisbon. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 61.]

May 1. Whitehall. Commissions for Col. William Stuart to be colonel of Col. Cunningham's regiment of foot; for Sir George St. George to be colonel of Col. Richard's regiment of foot [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 37]; for Edward, Earl of Meath, to be colonel of the regiment of foot lately commanded by Sir John Edgeworth, and to be captain of a company in the same regiment; for George Newcome to be lieutenant-colonel of the Earl of Meath's regiment of foot, and to be captain of a company in the same regiment; for Frederick Hamilton to be major of the Earl of Meath's regiment and to be captain of a company in the same; for Robert Stearne to be captain of a company in the Earl of Meath's regiment [*crossed through*]; for Francis Rolleston, ditto; for Francis Preston, ditto, in the room of Newcomen; for Chichester Philips, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 39]; for John Worsopp, ditto, in the room of Capt. Henry Thomas; for Richard Needham, ditto [*crossed through*]; for George Hamilton, ditto in the room of Ambrose Edgeworth; for Parson Hoy, ditto in the room of Capt. John Mccantash [Mackintosh ?]; for Cuthbert Wilkinson, ditto; for John Garner, ditto, in the room of Capt. Bury; and for Robert Pointz to be captain-lieutenant of the company in the same regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 40.]

For William Flower to be lieutenant to Capt. George Newcomen in the same regiment; for George Connock to be lieutenant to Major Hamilton's company in the same; for Anthony Brabazon to be lieutenant to Capt. Stearne's company in the same; for William Underhill to be lieutenant to Capt. Rolleston in the same; for William Usher to be lieutenant to Capt. Preston in the same; for John Porter to be lieutenant to Capt. Philips in the same; for Peter Latham to be lieutenant to Capt. Worcopp in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 41]; for [*blank*] to be lieutenant to Capt. Nedham in the same; for Charles Brabazon to be lieutenant of grenadiers to Capt. Nedham in the same; for Charles Hubbelthorne to be lieutenant to Capt. George Hamilton in the same; for Henry West to be lieutenant to Capt. Hoy in the same; for John Culliford to be lieutenant to Capt. Wilkinson in the same; and for Nicholas Carteret to be lieutenant to Capt. Yarner in the same.

For James O'Bryen to be ensign to the company in the same of which the Earl [of Meath] is captain [*Ibid*, *p.* 42]; for John Itchingham Chichester to be ensign to Lieut.-Col. Newcomen in the same; for George Brabazon to be ensign to Major Hamilton in the same; for Thomas Welden to be ensign to Capt. Sterne in the same; for Robert Pigot to be ensign to Capt. Rolleston in the same; for Thomas Allen to be ensign to Capt. Preston in the same; for Edward Corker to be ensign to Capt. Worsopp in the same; for John Philips to be ensign to Capt Philips in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 43]; for Joseph

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Strowd to be ensign to Capt. Hamilton in the same; for John Leigh to be ensign to Capt. Hoy in the same; for Henry Brabazon to be ensign to Capt. Wilkinson in the same; for Thomas Wilbraham to be ensign to Capt. Yarner in the same; for Henry West to be adjutant in the same; for William Floyd to be chaplain in the same; for Brabazon Moor to be quartermaster in the same; for Robert Weldon to be surgeon in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 44]; for George Crofts to be Lieutenant to Capt. Richard Slapes in Sir Edward Dering's regiment of foot; for Francis Jeffrys to be first lieutenant to Capt. Archibald Clinkard in the same; and for Herbert Humphreys to be ensign to Capt. Napper in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 46.]

May 1. Whitehall. Protection to Richard Wedmore, William Driver, and Thomas Weddin, engaged in working the ferry boat between Fulham and Putney, from being impressed into the navy. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 311.]

May 1. Whitehall. Warrant to Major William Richardson, keeper of Newgate, empowering him, in view of the frequent robberies committed on the highways, and the many burglaries perpetrated to the damage of the King's subjects, to use all lawful means for taking of highwaymen upon the highways and burglars and other felons: and thereunto he is to ride about the highways from time to time, and to apprehend such offenders as he shall meet. He is also, if needful, to search houses suspected of harbouring highwaymen or other felons. And as a reward for his zeal, he is empowered to retain all the goods found on felons, at their arrest, for his own behoof. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 313.]

May 1. Warrant to pay Henry, Lord Herbert of Cherbury, 1,500*l.*, the remaining part of a yearly salary of 1,260*l.* allowed to the Treasurer of the Household, and the salary of 500*l.* allowed to the cofferer; the other part having been granted to Francis, Viscount Newport in consideration of his executing both offices. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 75.]

May 1. Proceeding upon the petition of Robert Saunders praying for the renewal of a grant of the farm of the duty called post-groats, arising out of tin within the Duchy of Cornwall. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 80.]

May 1. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Samuel Barnardiston, bart., praying a writ of error against Lady Katherine Soames. Granted. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 83.]

May 1. Passes or post-warrant for Lady Chaumalier, Robert Leigh, esq., John Carlo, James Hay and Elizabeth Kelly, with arms and apparel to go to Ireland within thirty days and to return if they desire to do so [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 307]; for Mr. Valentyn Buck to go to Holland and to return; for Captain Robert Wroth to go to Berwick; for Alexander Hay, esq., lieutenant in Lord Yaster's [the laird of Yester's ?] independent troop, to go to Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 308]; for Montagu North to go to Italy [*Ibid.*, *p.* 309]; and for Louis de Vignolles, Master of the Horse, to travel. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 310.]

May 2. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Oxinden LL.D., stating that the King having appointed him Judge of the Court of

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Admiralty of the Cinque Ports, to which formerly there was a salary of 2*s.* a day payable out of the fee farm rents in the county of Kent; which being sold, the petitioner prays that a salary of 100*l.* a year may be allowed to him. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 32.]

May 2. Proceedings upon the petition of Gilbert Malkin, praying a grant of the offices of clerk of the estreats, and bag-bearer in the Court of Exchequer. Referred to the Attorney General [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 82.]

May 2. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Robert Owen, knt., praying to be constable of Harlech Castle, a post which has been held by his ancestors from time immemorial. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 88.]

May 2. Hampton Court. Appointment of Francis, Viscount Newport, Treasurer of the Household, as Cofferer of the same. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 309.]

May 2. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Attorney-General to issue a writ of *certiorari* in favour of Richard Boyle, for quashing his conviction for bigamy. He had shown that he had been formerly seduced by one Loveday Billing, lately deceased, with whom he did sometime since cohabit, but he, being willing to live virtuously, did marry one Susan Moyse widow, according to the law of the land. The said Billing thereupon indicted him for bigamy, at the sessions held in London, the 29th day of June 1687, where—he being not provided for witnesses, they being absent, and he under confinement—a verdict passed against him without proof or certificate of any marriage with the said Billing, and he was thereupon burnt in the hand. In the reign of the late King, he had presented a petition for the reversing of this sentence, but that the matter had not been further proceeded with by reason of the late stop of the execution of the laws. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 316.]

May 2. Hampton Coart. Warrant for a Treasury warrant for the payment of 500*l.* to Robert Molesworth, Envoy Extraordinary to the King of Denmark, for his equipage and 5*l.* a day for his ordinary entertainment. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 76.]

May 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to ——————. "I find you express "a zeal for the King's service but do not understand what it is "that you desire should be done." Asks for an explanation. [*H.O. Letter Book* 1, *p.* 69.]

May 2. Pass to William Bishot and Jacob Megnich to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 311.]

May 3. The petition [1] of John Clapp. Joseph Pitts, and John Gould, of the parish of Colyton in the county of Devon, and Daniel Cleveland and Nathaniel Smith of the parish of Honiton in the same county, shewing that the persons thereafter mentioned, inhabitants of the said parishes and neighbourhood, men of sober and industrious lives, were, after the defeat of the Duke of Monmouth, taken into custody, some having joined in arms with him, some having supplied provisions,

[1] *Vide* under date April 2, where a similar petition is considered.

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but others of them in nowise having assisted. That at the time they should have been tried, the Lord Chief Justice Jeffreys required them all to plead guilty, or else they should be immediately executed; which threat, having been made good upon one that put himself on trial, terrified the rest into a compliance, though several of them were innocent, and being thus attainted by a forced confession they were banished for ten years and sold as slaves into America. That by reason of the great number so banished, the country wants inhabitants, artificers and labourers. The petitioners pray that the said persons may return home to their wives and children. The list contains the names of the following 41 persons:—

John Smith.	Thomas Quick.
Thomas Franklyn.	Thomas Pester.
Abraham Thomas.	John Conant.
John Baker.	William Clarke.
James Fowler.	Edmund Bovett.
Christopher Irwell.	Thomas Bovett.
Richard Pyne.	Peter Kent.
John White.	John Clode.
Samuel Pinson.	Argenton Roost.
Richard Parker.	Gideon Dare.
Francis Smith.	Humphry Slade.
Emanuel Marchant.	John Skiffe.
Thomas Meade.	John Bagwell.
Nicholas Salter.	Henry Tizard.
Benjamin Whicker.	John Alston.
John Heathfield.	George Macey.
Nicholas Braddon.	Richard Greene.
Francis Puckett.	John Edwards.
John Gey.	Robert Spurway.
William Harvey.	Edward Vildue.

and William Browne.

The petition, which is authenticated by Sir Walter Yonge, was referred to the Committee for trade and Plantations. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 43.]

May 3. Proceedings upon the petition of Mr. Ayleway for employment in the West Indies. Referred to the Committee for Trade and Plantations to report what may fitly be done for the petitioner's gratification, the King considering him a suffering person from Ireland, and one very fit to be employed. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 81.]

May 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of Admiralty. I have delivered Memorials, as desired by you, touching the ports of Mahon, Gibraltar and Ferrara, to the Spanish and Florentine ministers at this court and have also prepared the draft of a letter to the governments of Algiers, Tunis, and Tripoli, wherein they have notice of the change in the sea passes, and are referred for further information to the Consuls. I enclose the King's warrant for the hall and houses at Sheerness. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 69.]

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May 3. Hampton Court. Licence to Edward Fleming, high sheriff of Hampshire, to live out of the said county during his shrievalty. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 8.]

May 3. Caveat that nothing pass for discharging the ship *Elizabeth*, of London, Richard Kilshaw, master, taken by two brothers, privateers of Holland, and brought into Plymouth, the said ship being stopped by order of Council, or for carrying her into Holland to be tried there, till notice be given to Mr. Peter Renew in Sherburne Lane, near the Post Office. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 6.]

May 3. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of Richard Coling as one of the clerks of the Privy Council. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 312.]

May 3. Hampton Court. Like warrant for Charles Montague. [*Ibid.*]

May 4. Channel Row. J. Bowles to William Blathwayt. This brings to your notice the copy of a letter from the Navy Board. [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 44] *Enclosing—*

The Commissioners of the Navy to Mr. Bowles, dated the previous day, stating that the two vessels taken up to carry despatches to the West Indies sailed on 24th April and have not since been heard of, but they hope that before this time they are clear of the Channel. Copy. [*Ibid., No.* 44(i.).]

May 4. Channell Row. The Lords of the Admiralty to the Commissioners of Trade and Plantations. Enclosing a list of nine merchant-ships taken up by the Navy Board to serve as men-of-war in the West Indies. Seven of them will be ready in three weeks, and these with the *Dunkirk* can take seven hundred "landsmen" at least beside their crews. [*Ibid., No.* 45.] *Enclosing—*

The list referred to. [*Ibid., No.* 45(i).]

May 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Ishall of the Inner Temple praying to be one of the surveyors of Customs in the port of London, three of whom were papists and have been absent from their post since the King's accession. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 22.]

May 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edmund Allen stating that his grandfather, Roger Conyers, gentleman, was a sufferer to the value of 12,000*l.* by his loyalty to Charles the First, by which his father was reduced to great straits, and the petitioner himself, in 1678, became an ensign to get a living and was shipped to Flanders; that a peace ensuing, he was disbanded, and never received a great part of his pay: that he was promised preferment by King James but missed it because he refused to turn papist; and that he is now in debt and incapable of martial service by reason of sickness. The petitioner prays for a land waiter's place in London for the support of his wife and four small children. The matter was referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid., p.* 23.]

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May 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Hammond, stating that in 1641 he served in Ireland as a soldier in the war against the rebels, and had several villages and land let out to him for that service, where he lived very comfortably with his wife and ten children; that he has now been driven out of Ireland and is in great want. The petitioner prays to be appointed a King's waiter or land waiter in the Custom House of London. Referred to the Treasury for a report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 24.]

May 4. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Stockdale stating that his grandfather, Edward Stockdale, was ("sixty years since") sworn a menial servant to King Charles the First and served him through all his troubles as a servant and as a lieutenant of horse up to the time of the King's "murder"; that he was often imprisoned and plundered and deprived of a land waiter's place in London and also of a housekeeper's place of the manor house of York and dying before the Restoration, lost the reward he should have had, and left petitioner's father and family in great poverty. The petitioner's father, George Stockdale, having by industry acquired an estate, lost it by the stopping of the Exchequer in 1670. Petitioner prays for the grant of a land waiter's place. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

May 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Philip Elston and William Blackeller, gentlemen, stating that they, being duly qualified, pray that the King will grant them the office of Solicitor to the Excise, now vacant. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 26.]

May 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Butcher, stating that he had been at sea 40 years, nearly five of which he has served as a lieutenant, that he came to the King, at Exeter, and that he was assistant to Sir Edward Seymour. He prays for the command of a fourth or fifth rate ship or for some other command. Referred to the Admiralty for report. [*Ibid.*]

May 4. Proceedings upon the petition of John Martyn asking for the office of searcher in the Customs at Plymouth. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 83.]

May 4. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Roland Gwynne, knt., praying for grant of the stewardship of the lordships and manors of Melinith, Gwerthinian, Cumstoydwr, Presteigne and Preston lands, Knighton and Gladestey in the county of Radnor. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 87.]

May 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Sir Robert Holmes. The King commands me to send you the enclosed order, which he has signed as Admiral of Holland, and would have you show it to the Officer-in-Chief, commanding any ships belonging to the Dutch fleet which shall come to the Isle of Wight, and this his Majesty would have you do, from time to time, upon the arrival of any of those ships in that island, that so they may pursue the direction of it. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 21.]

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May 4. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. Sends them the above-mentioned Order: the King would have you despatch it to some of his Majesty's ships in the Downs, that are to remain there, with directions to show it to the commanders of any of the ships belonging to the Dutch squadron which are to join our fleet, and so to do, from time to time, as often as they shall see any of those ships passing by. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 21.]

May 4. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Hanmer, at Liverpool. Mr. Harbord will send directions as to the money mentioned in your letter of the 30th ultimo, the matter being wholly under his care. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 22.]

May 4. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to deliver into the custody of the keeper of the Gatehouse, Thomas Drury, James Innes, Donald Bagne, Robert Maxwell, Humphrey Cohoon, John Laing, John Bayne, William Brodie, Robert Johnston, Joseph Coltret, Patrick Cunningham, and William Browne. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *pp.* 312 *and* 314.]

May 4. The like to the keeper of the Gatehouse to receive the above into custody. [*Ibid.*]

May 4. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Lucas, Governor of the Tower, to receive into custody Arthur, Lord Forbes, charged with dangerous and treasonable practices against the King's government. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 315.]

May 4. Whitehall. Warrant to the same to receive the Earl of Castlemaine for the same reasons. [*Ibid.*]

May 4. Warrant to Isaac Cotton, messenger, to arrest Sir Anthony Dean, knt., Samuel Pepys. and [William] Hewer, esq., suspected of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 320 & 341.]

May 4. The like to William Sharp to arrest the Earl of Montgomery. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 320.]

May 4. The like to Henry Allen to arrest John Hatch, Thomas Hilliard and Joseph Rue. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 341.]

May 4. Passes for Adrian Keppink, Cornelius Hemen and Hendrick Janssen to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 315]; and for Thomas Rutherford and James Temple to go to Scotland. [*Ibid.*, 316.]

May 5. Whitehall. Copy of a proclamation to the effect that all French Protestants seeking an asylum in England will not only receive royal protection for themselves their families and goods but be assisted in their different callings. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 46.]

May $\frac{6}{16}$. Maestricht. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Encloses a report from Quartermaster-General Dopft, a letter to General Schoning, from the Elector of Brandenburg, a memorandum from the Count de Lannoy, and one, drawn, up in the writer's presence, by the Marquis of Bettemar "General de l'artillerie" of the King of Spain, with his remarks upon them. I am much embarassed by the people at the Hague, and my age and infirmities make me unequal to the

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campaign. Certain of the generals are also insubordinate. The behaviour of the Count of Nassau is excellent. Mons. de Heckeren suggests that the Dukes of "Cell" [*Zell*?] and Wolfenbottel might be induced, by a brief note from your Majesty, to leave their troops here for a year. This would be a great help. If two English regiments were given to the Marquis de Gastanaga, who wishes to form a corps of 16,000 men, I could then put a stop to the daily complaints; and, if there were need, this corps could be united to that under my command. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 21.] *Enclosing*—

(1.) *Instructions sent to Quartermaster-General Dopft to consult with Field Marshal Schoning and General Delwig as to the siege of Rheinberg, and the sconce at Bonn. Hassell,* $\frac{24\ April}{4\ May}$, 1689. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 21(i.).]

(2.) *Copy of a letter from Marshal Schoning to the Prince of Waldeck, enclosing an extract from a rescript of the Elector of Brandenberg. The Elector states that he does not consider it advisable to attack either Rheinberg, or the sconce at Bonn, until the dispositions of the allied armies are completed in every quarter.* $\frac{2}{12}$ *May* 1689. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 21(ii.)]

(3.) *Copy of a letter from General Schoning to the Prince of Waldeck. I was yesterday at Meurs and saw, among others, "l'intendant Vilars" and Lieut.-Colonel Fabry, who has most influence over Bernsaut, the governor of place. He has promised me to ensure our success. In return, I promised to give him back the cross the Elector took from him, and to allow him to come back to us. "Il a pleure devant moÿ de rage"; certainly he was badly treated in our service. I have built a redoubt at Kaisersworth, and propose to bombard that place. We have deserters from the garrison coming in each day. The bridge at Treves is blown up, and great activity prevails at Bonn and Montroyal. If the Lunenburg troops withdraw, it will make a gap in my forces,* $\frac{30\ April}{10\ May}$, 1689. [*Ibid. No.* 21(iii.).]

(4.) *Memorandum, addressed to the States at the Hague by Count de Lannoy, envoy from the Bishop of Liège, suggesting* (1) *that the officers of the two regiments sent for the protection of the country of Liège should take an oath to the Bishop of Liège and be under his orders. A note in the margin states that troops must remain in the allegiance of the States and at their disposition.* (2) *That these troops shall not be at the charge of the Bishop. A note in the margin to the effect that as the troops remain in the States' service, so they shall remain in the States' pay.* (3) *That the Dragoons shall only take forage from the country; the infantry only "le simple service." This suggestion is accepted.* (4) *The troops shall remain in the Bishop's service as long as he may require them and no longer; in case he requires more troops, the Prince of Waldeck and the Commander of Maestricht, &c. are to have orders to send reinforcements to serve under the same conditions. The marginal notes suggest that two months should be fixed as the term of occupation and the*

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disposition of troops left to the Generals. It appears advisable that a considerable number of troops should be stationed south of the Sambre, towards Phillippeville. The Hague $\frac{1}{11}$ *May,* 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 21(iv).]

(5.) *Memorandum of a conference at Maestricht, held between the Prince of Waldeck and the Marquis de Bettemar, General of the Spanish Artillery. The Prince of Waldeck agrees to detach from his forces* 6,000 *foot, to assist in forming a body of* 15,000 *men, and, in exchange, the Count (sic) de Castanaga will put* 1,500 *horse under the orders of the Prince of Waldeck. The Prince will furnish six regiments, amounting to* 4,000 *men, and will not move the two regiments at Namur until he has otherwise provided for the safety of that place. He will keep the regiment at Noyelles at his disposition, but will leave that of Styrum. The Prince will remain for some time at Maestricht and, if needful, will draw his troops towards the Meuse, so as to be ready to help the Elector, or the country of Liège. If the enemy attack Mons., Charleroi, or Namur, he will go to their assistance either with the Spaniards, or alone; the Marquis is to furnish* 1,500 *horse on demand. As soon as the operations about Rheinberg and Kaiserworth are completed, the Prince is to recall his troops from the Elector and reinforce the regiments detached to the Marquis, to the strength of* 6,000 *men. The Prince of Waldeck has come to this decision for the following reasons; because the resolution at the Hague shows a desire to secure the barriers of the Low Countries; the force extending to the neighbourhood of Oudenarde, Flanders will be covered; troops, if required, can be sent into Flanders from Breda and Bergen-op-zoom; the enemy will not be able to detach troops on the side of the Meuse; Waldeck's cavalry will be re-inforced, and some can be detached, if needful, on the Rhine, and finally, because a good understanding would be restored between Castanaga and himself. Maestricht,* $\frac{5}{15}$ *May,* 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 21(v).]

May 6. Hampton. Court. The King to the President and Council of Jamaica. Whereas by our letters of the 22nd of February last we declared our intention that all things within the island of Jamaica, should be put into the same state that they were in at the time of the arrival of the Duke of Albemarle, and charged you to restore all persons to such places and trusts as they held at the time of the said Duke's arrival; and forasmuch as Peter Beckford, esquire, being captain of the forts and fortifications at Port Royal, was removed by the said Duke, our will is that you restore him to the place of captain of the said forts and fortifications as he held it during the government of Sir Thomas Lynch and Hender Molesworth, esq. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 18.]

May 6. Whitehall. "Whereas divers fires have lately happened in several parts of the kingdom and that many Irish Papists, and other lewd and vagrant persons disaffected to the Government, are observed to wander up and down, to the terror of his Majesty's subjects, and have feloniously designed to burn several towns, as by the confession of some already apprehended doth appear," this general warrant is now issued for the

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apprehension of all vagabonds, unknown, and suspicious persons. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 317.]

May 6. Hampton Court. Commissions for William Harbord to be captain of a troop of horse, to be forthwith raised, for guarding and conveying treasure, set apart for the payment of the forces designed for Ireland; for Robert Hedges to be lieutenant in the same; for Mark Hedges to be cornet in the same; and for John Smith to be quarter-master in the same. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 38.]

May 6. Passes for Lieut.-Colonel Mackenzie to go to York [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 315]; and for Jacob Van Molenschet to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 316.]

May 7. Hampton Court. Declaration of war against the French King. The following grounds are assigned for the declaration of war. The French King has invaded the territories of the Emperor and the Empire; not long since the French took licenses from the Governor of Newfoundland to fish in the seas there, but of late they have seriously encroached upon the trade and fishery of our subjects there: the French King has invaded our Caribbee Islands and seized our provinces of New York and Hudson's Bay and that at the very time he was negotiating here in England a treaty of neutrality in America; French privateers have attacked English ships; and heavy duties have been laid on some English manufactures and the importation of others forbidden; the right of the flag has been disputed; and English Protestant subjects have been persecuted in France. *Printed.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 47, *and S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 22.]

May $\frac{7}{17}$. Maestricht. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Learns with much displeasure of the state of Ireland. We have succeeded in our negotiations with the Governor of Rheinberg who has received some of the allied troops and promised to receive others. The treaty cost a hundred thousand lires, but was well worth a million. As soon as the artillery reaches Wesel we shall attack Kaiserworth. I have asked M. de Dykvelt to tell your Majesty several things of importance. [*S.P. Dom., King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 22.] *Enclosing*—

(1.) *Reports, from Count de Flodroff, on the measures to be taken for the defence of Liège; recommending, for reasons set out, that the camp should be placed south of the Meuse. In a marginal note the Prince of Waldeck objects to this course. The approaches to Liège are not in the condition represented; the Prince of Waldeck notes that confusion arises from using ears instead of eyes; it would have been better not to compel the Bishop of Liège to declare for the allies, for then it would not have been necessary to defend him. The castle of Franchemont can be defended by the peasants who are now occupying it. The French hold the castle of Monjardin, on the Vesse, which from its position is the best castle on that side of Liège. Maestricht,* 15 *May,* 1689 [*Ibid.*, *No.* 22(i.).]

(2.) *Extract from a letter written by Mons. de Weibnom* [*Lieut.-Gen. Weibbenum* ?] *to the Prince of Waldeck. The artillery has reached this town and is posted near to Berck. The horses cannot*

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possibly bring to N[amur]. They are in very bad condition. Korpt, 15 *May* 1689. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 22(ii.).]

List of vacant commissions in the regiment of Lannoy's, with names suggested to fill them. [*Ibid., No.* 22(iii.).]

May 7. Hampton Court. The King to Sir Hele Hooke, high sheriff of Gloucestershire. Granting him license to remain out of the said county during his term of office. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 22, *p.* 14.]

May 7. Hampton Court. The same to the lieutenancy of the city of London. Under an Act of Parliament for ordering the forces in the several counties of England, made in the fourteenth year of King Charles the Second, it is provided that, in regard of the extraordinary duties which may be thrown upon the forces of the city of London, for the safety of the King's person, and preventing insurrections, the lieutenants of that city may, under a royal warrant, levy so much money as they shall require for defraying the charges of the militia, in the same way as the assessment was levied at that time, and not exceeding in any one year the proportion of one month's tax, which the city then paid towards the tax, of 70,000*l.* a month. The King therefore, hearing that the said militia is much indebted, and in arrear, by reason of their past services, does, under this Act, authorise you to levy the sum prescribed, for one whole year, to be reckoned from Michaelmas 1687, and to apply the same according to the intent of the said Act. [*Ibid., p.* 15.]

May 7. Hampton Court. The King to Sir John Fleet, sheriff of London and Middlesex. Granting him leave to dwell out of the above city and county, during his term of office. [*Ibid., p.* 17.]

May 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Lanier. The King approves of the removal of the troops under your command, "as may be most convenient for their subsistence in those parts. Orders will be given for officers to go to their commands. As there are some disaffected persons in those counties, you should observe them, and, if necessary, arrest them. *Postscript.* The soldiers in your regiment are reported to be disaffected. As a friend, I advise you to enquire into the charge, that those under you may be as trusty as yourself. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 70.]

May 7. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Bridges. Has received his account of the burning of the town of Alresford; "there are informations of the "like practices from other parts, which make it so much the more "necessary to have a watchful eye over such as are found passing "up and down and can give no good account of themselves." *Postscript.* "I hope you will excuse my writing in another hand, "as well as my not answering your last. I must make the same "excuse to Lord Middleton; but I hope both of you believe [me] "your humble servant as much as ever." [*Ibid.*]

May 7. Whitehall. The same to Col. Heyford. Informing him that Cornet Thomas and Capt. Meers, whom he has secured, must be continued in custody till further orders. [*Ibid., p.* 71.]

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May 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Lucas. Directing him to allow the Earl of Arran the liberty of the Tower, attended by a warder, until further notice. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 71.]

May 7. Whitehall. Protection for Lady Winter, of Huddington, Worcestershire, complaint having been made, that several disorderly persons have threatened to do violence to her house and estate. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 318.]

May 7. Warrant to the Clerk of the Signet to prepare a signed bill for a privy seal containing a warrant to the Treasury, to pay to James Johnston, esq., who has been appointed envoy to the Swiss Cantons, the sum of 5*l. per diem* for his ordinary entertainment and allowance; and further to pay to him the sum of 500*l.* for his equipage, as well as any sums due to him for intelligence, expenses, or other extraordinary expenses. [*Ibid., p.* 319.]

May 7. The like in favour of Charles, Lord Dursley, Envoy Extraordinary to the King of Spain. [*Ibid., p.* 320.]

May 7. The like to Alexander Stanhope, esq., Envoy to reside at Florence. [*Ibid.*]

May 7. Caveat that no grant pass of the place of the office of governor or manager of the new hospital near the city of Dublin, void by the death of Col. Jeffrys, till notice be given to Mr. Hampden one of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, or to Sir Robert King. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 6.]

May 7. Hampton Court. Proclamation for the apprehension of the author, printers, and publishers of a scandalous libel entitled: "A Short History of the Convention or New Christened Parliaments." [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 23.]

May 7. Passes for Dorothy Coope, and a child to go to France [*S.P Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 315]; for John Weston, and his nephew, to go to Flanders [*Ibid., p.* 317]; for Capt. Leveson, with one of his officers, a surgeon, and five servants to go to Kendal [*Ibid., p.* 318]; and for Lieut.-Col. Matthews to go to Cockermouth. [*Ibid., p.* 319.]

May 8. Dublin Castle. A declaration of His Most Sacred Majesty, James the Second to all his loving subjects in the Kingdom of England. The calumnies of our enemies are now shown to be false; for since our arrival in Ireland we have made it our chief concern to satisfy our Protestant subjects. Their just complaints have been listened to and even those who took up arms against us have been treated with lenity. Liberty of conscience is secured, and many of those who left their homes are now daily returning to them, and yet more are only prevented by the conduct of the Usurpers in closing the ports. Let the people of England judge us by our conduct in Ireland what they may expect from us. If in twenty days after our appearing in person in England any of our subjects, however guilty, return to their allegiance, we assure them a full pardon and all past miscarriages shall be forgotten. We doubt not by arms to reduce the most obstinate,

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though as in Ireland we prefer the methods of lenity and mercy. *Printed*, 4 *copies*. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 48.]

May 8. Pass and post-warrant for the Earl of Southesk and Lord Keith to go to Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 319.]

May 9. Hampton Court. Proclamation commanding all papists (except such as are excepted in the Act provided for the same) to remove out of London and Westminster, and ten miles adjacent. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 24.]

May 9. Proceedings upon the petition of John Phelips, one of the seven auditors of the revenue in the Court of Exchequer, praying the settlement of a pension of 200*l. per annum* out of the revenues in charge before him, of which he is in arrear 2,210*l.*, and praying that, until consideration can be had of the said arrear, he may have the taking of the account of the revenue of the Post Office, properly belonging to him as senior auditor. Referred to the Treasury for report, the King "considering the petitioner as an ancient servant to "the Crown and a sufferer for it." [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 84.]

May 9. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Horatio Moore, praying a grant of the office of "Master of all the Royal Tennis Courts." Referred to the Attorney-General to enquire into the validity of the petitioner's grant of the reversion of this office and whether the same is now vacant. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 85.]

May 9. Proceedings upon the petition of Lewis Stucley, praying to be continued as Controller of Plymouth and Fowey, and the members thereof, as he was in the time of Charles II. Referred to the Treasury for enquiry into the causes for the displacement of the petitioner. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 89.]

May 9. Hampton Court. Licence for Benjamin Disborough, high sheriff of Essex, to live out of the country during his shrievalty. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 8.]

May 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Captain Waldron. Your instructions were to divide, among the soldiers, the value of the plate found by them, if it did not exceed a certain sum: as this is the case, you should sell it at once and distribute the proceeds. You will do well to send up the two bonds by some safe hand as soon as may be. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 72.]

May 9. Whitehall. Licence to Sir William Williams, one of His Majesty's counsel, to plead for Sir Samuel Barnardiston, convicted of high misdemeanor and fined 10,000*l.*, against which judgment he, Sir Samuel, is now bringing a writ of error. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 368.]

May 9. Whitehall. Passes for Mr. William Cotton to go to Flanders and return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 319]; and for Mr. Edward Rogers and Mr. Wilson, with their servant Jeremiah Rhodes, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 77.]

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May 10. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex to have the heads and quarters of Richard Nelthorpe, Charles Bateman, Richard Rumbale, Capt. Walcot, and William Hone taken down from the respective places where they have been affixed, and delivered to their friends. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 321.]

May 10. Hampton Court. Warrant to Frederick, Duke of Schomberg, master of the Ordnance, to cause an allowance of 300*l.* a year to be made to Sir Henry Goodricke, lieutenant-general of the Ordnance, in lieu of the mansion house in Little Minories, appropriated to his office, which was alienated by a grant made by King Charles the Second, and in lieu of which a similar allowance was made to Sir Henry Tichborne, late holder of the same post. [*Ibid., pp.* 321 *&* 328.]

May 10. Warrant to Henry Harris, engraver, to remove the inscription of *Sigill. Jacobi II. Dei gratia Mag. Brit. Fran. et Hib. Reg. Fid. Defen., &c.*, out of the seal for the County Palatine of Chester, and, instead thereof, to engrave "*Sigill. Gulielmi III. et Mariæ II. Dei* "*grat. Mag. Brit. Fran. et Hib. Regis et Reginæ, Fid. Defen. &c.*" [*Ibid., p.* 322.]

May 10. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to permit Mrs. Mary Carr to see Alexander Gawne, a prisoner. [*Ibid.*]

May 10. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Captain John Williams, keeper of Warwick Gaol, to use all lawful means for arresting robbers, highwaymen, burglars, and other felons. [*Ibid., pp.* 331.]

May 10. Whitehall. Warrant for appointing Frederick, Duke of Schomberg, William, Earl of Devon, Charles, Earl of Monmouth, Richard, Viscount Lumley, Thomas Wharton, William Harbord, Major-General Sir John Lanier, Major-General Kirke, and Col. Charles Trelawny, commissioners for reforming abuses in the army. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 49.]

May 10. Hampton Court. Instructions to the same Commissioners. You are hereby required, forthwith upon receipt of our commission, to repair to our several regiments in their respective quarters, and to call before you the officers and soldiers of each regiment in such manner as you shall judge best for our service; and in order thereunto, and to the disbanding of them, if necessary, you may direct the marching of such regiment, company, or troop, or of any other regiment, company, or troop to such place as you shall judge most expedient for this service. You are to examine the state and condition of each regiment, as to their number of men, their age and fitness for service their arms, clothes, and (if horse or dragoons) their horses, and their deportment in their march and quarters, and the payment of them; and if you find they have not paid their quarters, as they ought to have done, you are then to cause so much of the pay of the officers and soldiers, who shall appear faulty therein, to be stopped, in order to the satisfying such quarters.

You are to enquire of the gentlemen of the county where such regiments are quartered, or through which they have passed, and of the respective householders where they are, or have been quartered. or in such other method as you can what officers and soldiers have

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given any cause of being suspected to be disaffected to our government.

You are to enquire into the musters of each regiment, and whether the same have been duly and faithfully executed, and by whom, and whether the muster rolls "have been closed upon the place" according to our late orders.

You are to enquire into the arrears due to each regiment and to adjust the off reckonings, so that no greater deductions be made by the officers than by the rules are allowed of. And you are to examine what arrears are due to each commissioned or non-commissioned officer or soldier in each regiment, and by whom, to the end the same may be immediately paid, and particularly to such officers and soldiers as you shall think fit to discharge, as also whether the subsistence money has been duly paid, and if you find any officers faulty herein you are to suspend or cashier them as you shall see cause.

In case you shall find there have been any false musters, or any defect in the number of men, or in the fitness of such men, in respect of age, or their disaffection to our service, you may disband such officer, company, troop, or regiment as you shall find so faulty, or otherwise dispose of such of the men as are good, to such companies, troops, or regiments as you shall judge best for our service.

You are, from time to time, to give us an account of your proceedings, and if any case happen in which you shall not find yourselves sufficiently instructed how to act, you are to give unto us a true state of such case, and expect our further orders if the affair will admit of such delay, or otherwise, to use your discretion. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 221.]

May 10. Hampton Court. The King to the mayor and burgesses of Kingston-upon-Hull. In answer to your petition, stating that the office of high steward of your town is void by the death of Thomas, late Earl of Plymouth, the incapacity of Henry, Lord Dover, from holding it, and praying that it may be conferred upon William, Earl of Kingston, we are graciously pleased to grant your request. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 19.]

May 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Killigrew to have the office of Groom of the Bedchamber restored to him. Referred to the Treasury for report, the King being disposed to relieve and appoint the petitioner. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 85.]

May 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Chicheley, praying the place of "Register for Seizures," or Controller-General of Accounts, in the customs in the Port of London. Referred to the Treasury to consider what is fit to be done for the petitioner's gratification, the King being informed that his qualifications fit him for employment in his service. [*Ibid., pp.* 85, 92.]

May 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Bernard Granville, praying that, "forasmuch as certain lands, called Knole Park, are fallen to him by "the death of the Duke of Albemarle, which were under-rented by "the late King Charles the Second," the King would either

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increase the rent to its full value, or give the petitioner leave to take them into his own hands. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 86.]

May 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Joseph Hayes, asking, "in consideration of his great sufferings," to be one of the Commissioners of the Navy. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty to report. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 86, 88.]

May 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Attorney-General. The King being informed that Captain Nugent, committed for murder to Maidstone gaol, has been brought thence by *Habeas Corpus*, and that an endeavour is being made to have him enlarged upon bail, directs you to oppose this, in order that he may be sent back to Maidstone until discharged by law. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 72.]

May 10. Whitehall. The same to Sir Richard Raynes. Enquiring whether he will accept the post of judge of the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*]

May 10. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is the King's pleasure that Mr. Serjeant Thompson and Mr. Serjeant Trenchard be their Majesty's serjeants. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 73.]

May 10. Pass for Nicolaes Soldenies, Perre Heringa, and Samuel de Nysen, poor Dutchmen, to go to Holland. [S.P. *Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 322.]

May 11. Whttehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edmund Norden, esquire, stating that Sir William Godolphin, holding the office of Auditor to the Principality of Wales, is, as a Roman Catholic, unable to hold such an office. Mr. Thomas Tudor has the reversion of the same office by grant from Charles II., and the petitioner prays he may be granted the said office upon the surrender to him, by Mr. Tudor, of the reversion aforesaid. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 30.]

May 11. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Pont for a writ of error to reverse a judgment, given against him in the King's Bench. Granted. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 87.]

May 11. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Thomas Pilkington, knt, lord mayor of London, for a writ of error, in the High Court of Parliament, against Edmund Bolsworth. Granted. [*Ibid.*]

May 11. Whitehall. Warrant for the presentation of —— Stroude, clerk, to the rectory of St. Ives, in the county of Cornwall and the diocese of Exeter, void by the translation of Jonathan, late Bishop of Bristol, to the see of Exeter. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 13.]

May 11. Whitehall. Warrant to Frederick, Duke of Schomberg, Master General of Ordnance, for supplying certain ordnance and ammunition to Capt. William Alington, of the *William and Jane*, for the defence of his ship, in which he has agreed to carry William Duncombe, Envoy Extraordinary to the King of Sweden, to Stockholm. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 45.]

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May 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Pack. I will inform the King of your diligence in causing such to be apprehended as are gathering together in those parts to watch the opportunity of doing mischief. I shall not believe reports to the discredit of Colonel Langston; he is too careful an officer not to discover if "an ill man" were in his regiment, and would not suffer such a one to remain there. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 73.]

May 11. Whitehall. The same to the Commander-in-Chief at Chester, enclosing a list of suspected persons arrested while endeavouring to pass into Ireland, with instructions that they are to be brought from the places where they are confined, to Chester.—The names are as follows:—

From Holywell:—Quartermaster Michael Wall, Corporal Edward Gascoyne, Edward Harman, Percy Keating, Morris Gibbons, William Davells, Thomas Comerfort, James Fitzwilliams, Edmund Fitzwilliams, James Murphy, Alexander Doyle, Timothy Cowry, John Burke, James Corner, Edmund Pendergrasse, Carber Eagon, (?) William Hart, John Mutlexney, Terence Hine, William Ramoy, Hugh McGuyre, Edward Burke, and Bryan Doherty. *From Holyhead:* Captain William Crosby. *From Warrington:* John Suffer and Lawrence Kearny. [*Ibid.*]

May 11. Whitehall. The same to John Leach. The prisoners, John Suffer and Lawrence Kearny, seized by you, with three horses belonging to Lord Forbes, should be sent to Chester. The horses are to be sent to London. [*Ibid., p.* 75.]

May 11. Whitehall. The King to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge. Whereas several persons in the University, who should have received their degrees since Christmas last, have been delayed by reason that the abrogated oaths could not be taken and thereby "have lost their year." We, hereby, authorise you to restore all those, so delayed, "to their year" and to indemnify them against any disadvantage or incapacity they may have incurred by reason that the abrogated oaths could not be taken; provided that they take the new oaths and do all other things pertaining to those degrees, though out of due time and order, prescribed by their statutes. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 9.]

May 11. Whitehall. Protection for Henry Parker, Joseph Parker, and Duke Greenaway (whose service is absolutely necessary for the working of the ferry boats between Brentford and Kew) from impressment into the King's service. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 323.]

May 12. Maestricht. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. I am glad to hear matters are going on well in England, that measures have been taken to support the good disposition of the convention in Scotland, and that the continual reports of the death of the pretended Prince of Wales seem well founded. I am anxious, however, about the French fleet, which has put out before the Dutch fleet had joined the English; and also about the intrigues in Poland and Denmark, which in my opinion call for serious attention. I would suggest that a few ships might make Denmark consent to the restitution of the Duke of Holstein, and that the King of Poland should be warned that any

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interference on his part in favour of France, would be regarded with disfavour by Holland, and might damage the trade of that country with England and Holland. The dispatch of the squadron to the Mediterranean Sea might have a good effect on the policy of the Porte, in inducing him not to protract a matter for which the whole world is anxious. The plans of the allies ought to be more definite. Both the Spaniards and the Elector of Brandenburg persist in asking for detachments from the army of the States, the men demanded could not be supplied without seriously diminishing that army's strength; besides, it is necessary to see to the defence of the town of Liège. I have held a council here and enclose the resolution taken at it.

We have miraculously preserved our country and that of our neighbours and made ready to clear the Rhine; want of timely assistance has hindered our doing this, but, by negotiations, we have secured Rheinberg. As soon as the attack is ready I shall go to General Schoning to put our artillery and troops into action. The lack of money and horses for the pontoons tend greatly to dishearten the troops, and I am at a loss what to do. The Counsellor Pensionary [Heinsius], do what he will, can make no rapid advance. There is a difficulty about contributions. The Spaniards, the Elector of Brandenburg, the Bishop of Liège, the Duke of Dusseldorf, the Bishop of Münster, and the Elector of Trèves are all demanding it from the country of Luxemburg and elsewhere. This will lead to disorder and must be regulated. The Elector of Brandenburg wishes me to go to him to command his army. This, your Majesty might approve of, for a particular operation, whilst the arms of the States defend the frontier; but I am sure you would not wish the army to take a part in the operation of clearing the Rhine, and in this case, I think, it is best for me to command, and to leave the Elector to take his own course. But some think Bonn ought to be reduced first.

Mons. de Nertwic (?) is suggested for the post of Deputy to the army. I hope he will be informed that he is not to command me, and I am persuaded that the Counsellor Pensionary will see to this. I have many necessary expenses for bridges, carriages, and forage; moreover the Council is not well disposed toward me, and has the pretext of the want of money always ready. Your Majesty will perhaps instruct them to ratify my actions and ask the States of Holland, through the Counsellor Pensionary, to advance the necessary supplies so that we may lose no more chances, as we did on the Meuse, for lack of pontoons. I am also in want of horses. I hope to retire when this campaign is over and end my days in peace. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 23.]

May 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Maynard and Sir William Rawlinson, Commissioners of the Great Seal, at Gunnersbury, requesting them to attend the King at Hampton Court that afternoon; the notice is sent to them, as the attendance of two commissioners is sufficient. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 75.]

May 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Major-Gen. Kirke.—"The King "commands me to write to you that it is with no little concern

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" that he hears you are still on this side of the water, being satisfied " that it would have been very much for his service that you " should have sailed, with what troops and provisions you had " ready, with the first wind that offered; and it is of that conse- " quence that no further delay be used, that it is His Majesty's " express pleasure that, without waiting for any supply of what " kind soever, you should immediately sail for Londonderry—the " wind permitting—with what you have ready to carry with you. " *Postscript.* There is a considerable body of men ordered imme- " diately to follow, in case you can get time enough to save the " town." [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 76.]

May 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of Great Seal. His Majesty commands me to signify his pleasure that you give order for inserting the names of the Earl of Northampton, the Earl of Westmorland, and Lord Grey of Ruthven, in the commission of the peace for the county of Northampton, and to acquaint you that he approves of the method which you have proposed of disposing of the charity of the Lord-Keeper Bridgeman. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 22.]

May 13. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Admiralty Mr. Duncombe. Having, by his Majesty's order, agreed with Captain William Alington, Commander of *the William and Jane,* to carry him, with his family and goods into Sweden, whither he is going as his Majesty's envoy-extraordinary; and the said Mr. Duncombe having petitioned his Majesty that the said Captain may be furnished with a set of colours, and that he may have his Majesty's commission, with a protection for 60 men, to enable him to perform this service, his Majesty commands me to acquaint you that he would have you give such orders herein as have been usual in like cases. [*Ibid.*]

May 13. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. "The " King having directed my Lord Shrewsbury to grant a warrant " for passing the Duke of Schomberg's patent without paying " any fees, commands me to acquaint you that he will not have " this serve for a precendent in any other case whatever as to " the fees of honour due to his Majesty's servants, which his " Majesty's intention is shall be constantly paid by all other " persons, without allowing that any advantage shall be taken " from this case of the Duke of Schomberg. And his Majesty " would have you take care that the rule heretofore observed by " former Lord Chancellors or Lord Keepers, as to the payment of " those fees before the passing of the patent, be punctually kept " on all other occasions, without any variation from it." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 23.]

May 13. Hampton Court. Proclamation by and with the advice of their Majesties Privy Council for preventing of false musters and injuries which may be done either to the soldiery or subjects. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 26.]

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May 13. Westminster. Proclamation for nominating and appointing commissioners for putting in execution the Act of Parliament lately passed for raising money by a poll, and otherwise towards the reducing of Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol. 6, No.* 27.]

May 13. Hampton Court. The King to Robert Harley, sheriff of Herefordshire. Granting him leave to remain or dwell out of the said county during his term of office. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 19.]

May 13. Hampton Court. Warrant for a patent and commission to George, Lord Melville, to be principal and sole Secretary of State for Scotland. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 1.]

May 13. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Earl of Shrewsbury to deliver up certain papers relating to Scotland, to Lord Melville, Secretary of State for that kingdom. [*Ibid., p.* 3.]

May 13. Hampton Court. Warrant to Sir Andrew Forester to deliver up all books, papers, seals, and records, belonging to the Secretary's office of Scotland, to Lord Melville, with a detailed receipt for same. [*Ibid.*]

May 13. Hampton Court. Warrant to Sir John Dalrymple for subscribing the docquet of Lord Melville's warrant for the office of sole Secretary of State. [*Ibid.*]

May 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Frederick Wegham, stating that being "conversant" at Chatham and London he was able, by the ship of which he was master, to give important intelligence to Herr Van Zitters, the Dutch Ambassador, before his Majesty's coming. That he was sent by the Ambassador, with secret letters to the States, when he was taken prisoner by a French privateer, but eventually got safely to the Hague, and discharged his trust. Prays for the command of one of the King's yachts or other employment. Referred to the Admiralty with instructions to confer some employment upon petitioner. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 27.]

May 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Reve, vicar of Stoke next Nayland, in the county of Suffolk, stating that, about two years since, he married one Mary Walker, daughter-in-law to Charles Umfrevill, now Sir Charles Umfrevill, with whom petitioner was to have had, as her portion, the sum of 400*l.*, then in the hands of the said Sir Charles. The petitioner's wife died about a year since, when he took out letters of administration and demanded the said 400*l.* from the said Sir Charles, upon whose refusal to pay the same, petitioner commenced a suit in the Common Pleas but cannot proceed therein without the King's leave, the said Sir Charles being a Gentleman Pensioner. Referred to Lord Lovelace, Captain of the band of Gentlemen Pensioners to hear all parties and to report. [*Ibid., p.* 28.]

May 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sebright Repington, esq., stating that by an act of Edward VI., the churches of St. Peter and All Saints, in Stamford, in the County of Lincoln, were

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united; at which time his ancestors had the advowson in fee of St. Peter, and the Crown the fee of All Saints. The value of St. Peter's being treble that of All Saints, and the church of St. Peter being demolished by the said Act, it was provided that the Crown should have one turn in three to present to the said church, and petitioner's ancestors the remaining two turns, which arrangement was carried out till Dr. Richard Cumberland, the present incumbent, obtained a presentation from Charles II., when it was petitioner's right to present. Petitioner is advised that his title is endangered, and prays to be restored to his ancient right of presentation. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General to report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 29.]

May 13. Whitehall. Warrant to John Stevens, messenger, to arrest Richard, Viscount Preston, upon suspicion of treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 324.]

May 13. Whitehall. The like to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower, to receive Sir John Fenwick into custody upon suspicion of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

May 13. The like to James Kitson, messenger to deliver the above, into the custody of Lord Lucas. [*Ibid., p.* 325.]

May 13. The like to arrest Peter Shakerley upon suspicion of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

May 13. The like for the delivery of Sir John Fenwick to Lord Lucas, at the Tower. [*Ibid.*]

May 13. The like for a grant of the offices of secretary and provost-marshal-general, of the Bermudas, or Summer Islands, to Henry Fifield. [*Ibid., p.* 326.]

May 13. Hampton Court. License to Sir William Williams, king's counsel, to appear and plead for the Earl of Macclesfield, in his trial on an information of misdemeanour; in the reign of King James the said Earl was outlawed upon this information, but having reversed the outlawry, is now speedily to be tried, and would be greatly prejudiced if he were unable to have the services of Sir William Williams, who had been his counsel in several previous suits. [*Ibid., p.* 327.]

May 13. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Nathaniel Hooke, suspected of treasonable practices. [*Ibid., p.* 78.]

May 13. Passes or post-warrants for Peter Joseph Plattenoet to go to Holland; for Lieut. Osborne Taylor, and Gilbert Syonds, in Col. Villiers' regiment of horse, to go to Morpeth; for Mr. Martin, gentleman of the horse to the Earl of Southesk, with eight coach-horses and three footmen, to go to Scotland; for William Murray to go to Scotland, and return; for Alexander Mackdanyall to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 323]; for Captain George Macartney to go to Hamburgh [*Ibid., p.* 325]; for Dr. Fall and James Mason to go to Edinburgh and return [*Ibid., p.* 328]; for Garrer Floorer, Jan de Keyser, and Peter de Winter,

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three Dutchmen, to go to Holland; and for Mrs. Mary Clifford to go to Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 77.]

May 14. [Phineas] Bowles to Owen Wynn. Believing it necessary that, on the alteration of foreign passes, the form of those intended for the future, should, if possible, have the hands of all the Commissioners, and Admiral Herbert being expected in town, I forebore giving answer to yours of the 9th, on the prospect of his coming, which, it is said, will be at the King's return from Portsmouth, till which time, Sir Thomas Lee, being in attendance on his Majesty, it will be proper to respite them. I have moved the Commissioners about the protections you recommend to be granted, but they have come to no determination therein. I will lay the same before them again. [*H.O. Admiralty, Will & Mary* 1, *No.* 5.]

May 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield. Requesting him to bestow the archdeaconry and prebend, vacant by the death of Canon Browne, upon Mr. William Baker, "who hath married a relation," and "hath a great charge of children," with but small pay for supplying the cure of three parishes. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's* 1, *p.* 76.]

May 14. Whitehall. The same to Captain Blackwall. Directing him to give his reasons for detaining the French prize, mentioned in an enclosed petition, from Captain Ekins. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 77.]

May 14. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to permit Mrs. Hambleton to see Lieutenant Robinson, a prisoner. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 328.]

May 14. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to permit Lord William Murray, and his sister, to visit Lord Mungo Murray, a prisoner, and to remain with him a convenient time, without the presence of a warder. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 330.]

May 14. Passes or post-warrants, for Capt. John Shales to go to Chester or elsewhere [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 324]; for Mary Vrancken and two children to go to Scotland; for Daniel Fraser and Alexander Corbett to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 325]; for Mr. Nicholas Plunket, and his servant, Richard Jones, to go to Newport; for Sir Richard Brown to go to Harwich [*Ibid.*, *p.* 327]; for Lady Howard, Lady Savile, Mrs. Frances Reeves and Mrs. Agnes Walters, their gentlewomen, Elizabeth Lee, housemaid, Thomas Constable and Ralph Atkins, footmen, Mr. Plessington, steward, who is to return, William Brand, butler, and John Willcox, gentleman, to go to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 328.]; for Lambert Orts to go to Holland; for Lord William Murray to go to Edinburgh and return; and for William Gordon to go to Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 330.]

May 14, 16. Liverpool. Copies of letters from Col. Charles Trelawny and Col. Kirke to Lord Meath, recommending to his protection Capt. Atkinson and Capt. Berry, and forwarded by Lord Meath to Lord Danby. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 49.]

May 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Asking for information as to the cause of the delay in issuing

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commissions for justices of the peace, which the King looks upon as prejudicial to his affairs, at a time when so many appear to disturb the quiet of the kingdom. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 77.]

May 15. Whitehall. Receipt given by Lord Melville to the Earl of Shrewsbury for four writings entitled "(1) A letter from the meeting of the Estates of Scotland to his Majesty"; (2) "An address from the said Estates to his Majesty"; (3) "The declaration of the Estates of the kingdom of Scotland to be presented to their Majesties the King and Queen of England"; and (4) "The paper of grievances." [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 3.]

May 15. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to permit Mrs. Melville to see Lieutenant Gawne a prisoner, to make even some accounts depending between him and Captain Melville, her husband. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 330.]

May 15. Whitehall. Pass for Mrs. Elizabeth Cozens and Mrs. Frances Fox, to go to France. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 79.]

May 16. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of the filacers' clerks in the King's Bench, showing "that King Charles the First granted a commission to several peers to inquire what offices were executed, and what fees taken, in all courts of justice; there was a presentment made, upon oath of divers attornies in the said court of King's Bench, of all offices and fees thereunto belonging and hung up in the King's Bench Office, in the Inner Temple, but it was burnt in the fire of London. Since that time several officers in the said court have "unjustly demanded of your petitioners and others more than heretofore they were used to pay." Pray for the grant of a like commission. Referred to Sir John Holt, Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, who is to hold an enquiry and report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 89.]

May 16. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of Dr. Thomas Kirle, physician in ordinary to King Charles the Second, to have a patent for the mastership of St. Katherine's Hospital, Bedminster. Referred to the Attorney-General for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 90.]

May 16. Hampton Court. Warrant for letters patent appointing Sir Ambrose Philips, serjeant-at-law as one of the King's serjeants-at-law in ordinary. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 78.]

May 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Spanish Ambassador, informing him that the Council have made two orders for disposing of the matters mentioned in his letter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 78.]

May 16. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires that Jarvis Pierrepont, Thomas Foley, Thomas Jollife, Bernard Whalley and William Turton be justices of the peace for Staffordshire. [*Ibid.*]

May 16. Passes for John Field and Charles Cary to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 330.]; and for Mr. Israel Fielding, and two servants, to go to Milford Haven, or elsewhere as the King's service shall require. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 331.]

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May 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. Acquainting them that the King has appointed George Courtenay, son of Sir William Courtenay, to the office of vice-admiral of the county of Devon and of the city and county of Exeter vacant by the death of Sir Edward Seymour. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 79.]

May 17. Whitehall. The same to the mayor and aldermen of Exeter, Mr. Joseph Boson, late master of the quay at the city of Exeter, complains that he has been removed from his office without cause. As he performed good service in conveying ordnance, &c, when landed at that port, the King desires that he may be reappointed, unless there is some material objection. [*Ibid.*]

May $\frac{17}{27}$. Maestricht. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. The artillery and the bridge Maestricht of boats have got no further than Nimuegen. Count de Flodorp has been sent to the Rhine to take measures to supply the want, so that the bombardment of Kaiserworth may be begun. The departure of the troops of Lunenburg inconveniences me, as does the obstinacy of Zealand, Friesland and Groningen in respect of the levy of 14 companies of horse. The matter of the contributions is at a standstill upon the question of the security to be given by two people, each of 25,000 livres, "quoi que Pæsserts n'aye donne caution au conseill détat mais à Mons d'Ameronguen, à son dire, et que Van Den Hoevel est assez connu à Mons. d'Ameronguen, mais les soins que le vieux Pæsserts prendt de faire deroger au respect du à votre Majesté appuyé de Mons d'Ameronguen fait posposer vos volontés et mesmes dans des termes indecentes." The Elector of Brandenburg wishes that the Bishop of Liège be compelled to pay him the money which he negociates in Holland, 100,000 florins. If I can, I shall get the Bishop to do something. *Postscript.* The Baron de Fay brings me a confirmation of the report that the Marshal d'Humières is collecting a large force at Bossour (Buissier). I advised him to march all the troops he had to Dendermonde, so as not to deprive Mons of infantry and to keep on the defensive. I also advised Castanaga to imitate the French in making magazines in good time. In spite of my illness, I am doing my best. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 24.] *Enclosing*—

Count ? Champagne [*the Prince of Waldeck.*] *The day before yesterday Marshal d' Humières formed his camp within two leagues of this place. He had with him* 13,000 *men from the neighbouring garrisons and yesterday* 8,000 *more joined him. His camp is close to Bossour* (*La Busiere*) *on the Sambre. The Court is quartered in the village called Mierlepoterre. A detachment of the army is at Eteunez near the Abbey of Bonne Esperance. They have pillaged the farm-yard of the Abbey and are supposed to be marching towards Roeulx. Binch,* $\frac{15}{25}$ *May* 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 24 (*i*).]

May 17. Liverpool. Colonel Kirke to Colonel Sir George St. George, at Chester. Whomsoever you recommend for command, I have the King's orders to place. They should be men known to you. I hope you are assured of Mr. Hill; because gentlemen lately come from Ireland,

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report that he was concerned with Colonel Lundy at Londonderry. He should clear himself of that charge. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 50.]

May 17. Chanell Row. Phineas Bowles (Secretary to the Admiralty) to William Blathwait. Sends him the names of the ships designed for the Plantations. [*Ibid., No.* 51.] *Enclosing*—

"*A list of their Majesties own and such hired ships as are designed for the West Indies.*" [*Ibid., No.* 51 (*i*).]

May 17. Hampton Court. The King to "the meeting of the Estates of our ancient kingdom of Scotland." The commissioners sent by you have presented your letter to us with your petition, or claim of right, the grievances, and your address for turning you into a parliament; and after reading them, "the Queen and we" did take and sign the oath tendered to us by our said commissioners which we will religiously observe. At your desire we have resolved to turn you into a parliament; but because the instructions to our commissioners cannot be expedited before the 21st instant, to which date you stand adjourned, we authorise you to adjourn to the 5th of June next, against which time you are to require all the members to be present, that, then you may, proceed to despatch what affairs do most conduce to the right settlement of the nation. And as we do assure you on our part that we will not put the advantages of the Crown in the balance with the true interests of the kingdom, so we do expect that you will concur with us in settling the welfare of the kingdom by such laws as may procure your own happiness and establish the public good. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 6.]

May 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Wolseley, gentleman. Being forced from his estate in Ireland, worth 300*l. per annum*, for being a Protestant, and not having wherewithal to subsist, prays for a place as King's waiter in the Custom House, London. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 31.]

May 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Andrew Horton, stating, that at his own expense, he accompanied divers of the King's subjects of the counties of Northampton and Leicester to join the Earl of Devonshire, and attended the Princess of Denmark till she met the Prince at Oxford. Prays for a place as King's waiter in the Custom House, London. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*]

May 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the mayor, aldermen, burgesses, and inhabitants of Portsmouth, stating that Portsmouth, being a garrison, "has suffered much by soldiers left behind their colours, by their wives and children, when they die or march, by debts they contract beyond their pay, but particularly by the great disorders lately committed by the Irish, who not only made themselves masters of the houses by free quartering, but threatened to destroy the petitioners, which it is believed they would have done." Petitioners also complain that all ships that come to Spithead or into the haven are liable to pay light money, which is a great hindrance to the port, whereas in the Isle of Wight they have the advantage

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of being exempt from the burden of light money, by grant of Charles II. Referred to the Trinity House. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 36.]

May 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Hyde, praying for the command of a yacht, in consideration of his many services. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 91.]

May 17. Passes or post-warrants for ——— Trefford to go to Denmark (?) [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 330]; for Mr. Patrick, Mr. Cole and Mr. Collins to go to Lord Kingston's house in Nottinghamshire; for Sir Richard Bassett to go to Berwick; for Lieut.-Colonel William Arratt to go to Scotland; for Colonel Edwards, Sir William Wither, Colonel Harrington, Major Birch, Captain Haitley, Captain Wilson to go to Holland [*Ibid. p.* 331]; for Thomas de Carbonel, Paul Girardot Salamon Maurice, Nicholas le Blanc, David de Caux, Robert Hays, and Jacob L'Apostre (the latter and Thomas de Carbonel, being Englishmen, and the others French protestants) to go to Holland; and for John Davison to go to Blakestone, near Durham. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 79.]

May $\frac{18}{28}$. Maestricht. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Marshal d'Humières is encamped on this side of the Sambre, I have had to draw my men together and look out for a safe position. This will be at Borckwaveren [?]. I hope soon to be able to go there, and from thence to Kaiserworth. I have not been able, owing to the delay in coming to a settlement, to use the troops of Wolfenbüttell. The troops of Cell [Zell ?] are already marching. None of the Swedish regiments, except that of Lowenhaupt, which is in Breda, and Bergen-op-zoom, are fit for service, and the English are not in a condition to make long marches and lack the help of the fourteen companies of cavalry, which Zealand refuses to raise. The Spaniards, who are not paid, desert. All this is likely to help the French, unless your Majesty can give orders for replacing our losses by new levies. The Duke de Esta (?) would readily provide a regiment, and on good terms the Duke of Wurtemburg and others would also do so. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 25.]

May 18. Hampton Court. Warrant for appointing the following a Privy Council for Scotland:—Prince George of Denmark, William, Duke of Hamilton, James, Marquis of Douglas, John, Marquis of Athole, James, Earl of Drumlanrig, Archibald, Earl of Argyll, William, Earl of Crawford, John, Earl of Erroll, George, Earl Marischal, George, Earl of Sutherland, Charles, Earl of Mar, John, Earl of Glencairn, Alexander, Earl of Eglinton, John, Earl of Cassillis, Robert, Earl of Lothian, the Earl of Annandale, John, Earl of Tweeddale, David, Earl of Leven, John, Earl of Dundonald, John, Earl of Kintore, John, Lord Yester, George, Lord Melville, the Lord Rosse, Henry, Lord Cardross John, Lord Carmichael, David, Lord Ruthven, the Master of Forbes, Alexander, Master of Melville, Sir James Dalrymple "of the Stair," the elder, Sir John Dalrymple "of the Stair," the younger, Sir John Maitland, Sir Hugh Campbell of Calder, Sir James Montgomery of Skelmerlie, Sir Patrick Home of Polwarth, The Laird of Grant, Sir Archibald Murray, of Blackbarony, Sir John Maxwell, of Pollock, Sir Robert St. Clair, of Stevenson, the Laird of Ormistoun, the Laird

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of Bredie, Major General Mackay, and the Provost of Edinburgh, for the time being. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 7.]

May 18. Hampton Court. A list of the persons whose names are to be inserted in the commission for the Privy Council of Scotland as above. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 11.]

May 19. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Newman for the command of one of the King's ships of war. Referred to the Admiralty to dispose of as may be for the King's service and the petitioner's gratification. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 97.]

May 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower, to allow Sir John Fenwick, Colonel Lundy, and Mr. Philip Burton, prisoners, the liberty of the Tower, attended by the warders. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 334.]

May 19. Pass for Stephen Schull and Leonard Houtaffeel to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 333.]

May 20. Phineas Bowles to Mr. Blathwait. By an express from Portsmouth I hear the ship *Dunkirk* is "sheathed," and will be launched next spring [tide]. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 52.]

May 20. Hampton Court. Warrant to the keepers of the Great Seal to prepare a commission directed to Henry, Bishop of London, William, Bishop of St. Asaph, Jonathan, Bishop of Exeter, Sir Thomas Penfold, knt., doctor of laws, Simon Patrick D.D. dean of Peterborough, and George Bramston, doctor of laws, empowering them to examine into the matters alleged by Dr. Gregory Hascard, dean of St. George's Chapel, Windsor, against Dr. Saumares, one of the canons of that church; the Attorney-General having reported, after examining into the petition of Dr. Hascard, that Dr. Saumares had proceeded against his oath and the statutes of the chapel; the commissioners are to call Dr. Saumares before them and inflict such censure or punishment on him as the case shall require. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 332.]

May 20. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Allen, messenger, to deliver Peter Shakerley a prisoner into the custody of Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 333.]

May 20. Whitehall. The like to Lord Lucas to receive the above prisoner. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 334.]

May 20. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Sheldon, messenger, to arrest Ralph Gray, upon suspicion of dangerous practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 336.]

May 20. Whitehall. The like to James Kitson, messenger, for the arrest of —— Kirk. [*Ibid.*]

May 20. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse to receive Capt. Francis Braithwait into custody. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 337.]

May 20. Warrant to deliver the above to the keeper of the Gatehouse. [*Ibid.*]

May 20. Protection for Mr. John Purcell of the Hay, Maidley, near Shifnall Shropshire; several disorderly persons having threatened to do violence to his house and estate. [*Ibid.*]

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May 20. Hampton Court. Warrant to Richard, Viscount Lumley to take measures for the protection of the King's game in Sussex. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 338.]

May 20. Hampton Court. License to Cornelius Tilbourne, surgeon in ordinary to the late King Charles the Second, who has "made experiment of the virtue "of his antidote against poison and other distempers, to the general "satisfaction," and has obtained, upon examination, a license from the College of Physicians to practise surgery, to sell the said antidote, and other medicines, from a stage in any city or town, he first acquainting the chief magistrate with his intention to do so. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 340.]

May 20. Hampton Court. Warrant for letters patent creating Arthur Herbert, Baron of Torbay and Earl of Torrington, with remainder of the barony to his brother, Charles Herbert. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 80.]

May 20. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to John Maynard of the dignity of a canon or prebendary in the free chapel of Windsor, void by the death of Dr. [Isaac] Vossius. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 229.]

May 20. Hampton Court. License to Sir Andrew Henley, high sheriff of Dorset, to live out of that county during his shrievalty. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 10.]

May 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Macclesfield. Authorising him to issue to his deputy lieutenants any orders he may think fit, for dealing with the papists who have been collecting arms and horses in Wales, some of whom "have garrisoned themselves in Powis Castle.' [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 80.]

May 20. Proceedings upon the petition of William Bowles for employment in Chatham yard. Referred to the Admiralty either to order the payment of the debt claimed by the petitioner, if it be due to him, or to employ him in the King's service, according to his capacity. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 96.]

May 20. Pass for Elizabeth Vanlaer, and her maid, and Mons. Bizoc to go to Holland or Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 335.]

May 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Chester. Mr. Herbert Awbrey, late a commissioner of the revenue in Ireland, has come into the neighbourhood of Chester. As he is suspected of ill designs, you are to have him arrested. If you will send particulars of your disbursements for the maintenance of soldiers, prisoners, &c., the Commissioners of the Treasury will order you to be paid. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 80.]

May 21. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Heyford. I have not yet received any formal complaint "made by the Magistrates of Newcastle on the occasion of demolishing the statue there" though there are private letters about town reflecting on the conduct of the officers and soldiers; but having this information from you, I shall make use of it for your vindications, thinking it hard that those who are innocent should bear the reproach of what appears to be only done by the common people, who are sometimes apt to make escapes in

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what they think is service to a cause they are affected with. The seizing of horses is usually entrusted to the deputy lieutenants and the justices. Where none have been yet appointed, the matter must still be looked to. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 81.]

May 21. Whitehall. The same to Col. Langston. Mr. Vice-Chamberlain promises to write to his friends to give you the best information they can for his Majesty's service, "and I do not doubt but you will make the "right use thereof, to disturb that nest of persons who have so long "infested those parts and are at last broke out into that insolence, "as even to make an attempt upon your quarters." This must serve for an answer to Col. Pack's letter. Lieut. Hardy should be kept safe. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 82.]

May 21. Whitehall. The same to Col. Billingsley. Informing him, in reply to his request for directions, that "dangerous words" uttered by a soldier are offences at common law, provided "they are not attended with "such circumstances as may bring them within the Act for martial "law." [*Ibid.*]

May 21. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Lanier. Informing him that, owing to the despatch of troops to Ireland, none can be spared for Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 83.]

May 21. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Anderson [Anderton ?]. Complaint having been made of his neglect in what has been committed to his care for the King's service, he is ordered to come up to London and explain his conduct to the Lords of the Council. [*Ibid.*]

May 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The King—having lately concluded a treaty with the States General of the United Provinces, wherein, amongst other things, it is provided that in the instructions to be given to the captains of the men-of-war, sent forth on either side, as convoys to the merchant ships, or to the West Indies, a clause shall be inserted obliging them to protect each others merchant ships, and to assist the Plantations and Colonies of each other, in the West Indies, for their defence—commands me to send you the enclosed copy of the article relating to this matter, and to acquaint you that he would have you take care that such clauses as are directed by this article be inserted in all the instructions to the captains of the men-of-war sent abroad as convoys to merchant ships, or to the West Indies, and that if any be gone already you send the same after them by the first convenience; and his Majesty commands me to acquaint you that he would have you, upon fitting occasions, inform all masters of ships, and other persons concerned, who shall come before you, that, by a treaty between his Majesty and the States General, the captains of their men-of-war are obliged to protect our merchant ships sailing with them, and desirous to be under their protection, according to the tenor of the treaty; that so his Majesty's subjects may not, for want of information, lose the benefit of his care for their security against pirates. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 24.]

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May 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Chichester, brother to the late Earl of Donegall, stating that he has been a captain of foot in Ireland, for many years, and has held other considerable employments and an estate, whereof he was deprived for being an Englishman, and a protestant; that he raised a regiment for his Majesty's service, but "on the coming down of the Irish army" he retired to Coleraine and Londonderry, with such forces as he could carry with him, whence, with much difficulty, he sent away his wife, who is a person of quality, and six children, but continued himself in Londonderry till the governor refused to give him quarter any longer. Petitioner prays for a post in the army preparing for Ireland, and, in the meantime, for such subsistence as will keep his numerous family from starving. Referred to the Treasury, the King being graciously disposed towards petitioner. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 33.]

May 21. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Williamson, praying for a grant, for himself and his son, of the office of one of the five under-searchers in the port of London, with "the estates belonging to the said office." Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 91.]

May 21. Proceedings upon the petition of John Cawley D.D., archdeacon of Lincoln, who states that by the death of Sir Edward Lake in 1675, the officiality of the archdeaconry of Lincoln fell to the disposal of the petitioner; who not being skilled in the nicety of the canon law, granted a deputation thereof to Dr. Howell, chancellor of Lincoln, the Bishop's commissary, giving him power to execute the office, and receive the profits, reserving only to the petitioner 75*l. per annum*, although in strictness of that law, he ought to have received the profits himself, allowing Dr. Howell such a portion as he thought reasonable. William Oldys, doctor of law, a practitioner in the court has, under some old canon, never received in this kingdom, prosecuted the petitioner for simony in the Court of Arches, and obtained a judgment, though the petitioner was never heard, which judgment was afterwards confirmed by the delegates.

This cause is of a kind never before heard in England, nor could the delegates agree as to the offence, or its punishment; while several of the judges of the common law, who were of the number of the delegates, have since granted a prohibition, as to the temporalities of the archdeaconry, and openly declared in court that it was a very hard sentence, and a dangerous precedent. The petitioner prays for the grant of a commission under the Great Seal to review the cause. Upon reference, the Attorney-General reported in favour of the petitioner; and the Earl of Shrewsbury thereupon wrote to the Treasury directing the issue accordingly. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 94.]

May 21. Passes or post-warrants for the Duke of Northumberland, with his servants, Mr. Charles Dartiquenave, Mr. John Ivonet, Mr. William Alleson, Mr. Charles Hodges, page, Robert Webb and Edward Hughes, footmen, Matthew Syston, waggoner, Andrew Fouse, sumpterman, John Browne, William Villiers, and William Richardson, grooms, to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 335]; for John Reed, late a soldier in Col. Babington's regiment to go to Holland; for Jan Van Leewan, his Majesty's

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footman to go Holland; for William Spenceley adjutant in Col. Leveson's regiment to go to Cockermouth; for Cornet Humphrey Chamberlain, ditto [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 339]; for the Commissary-Marshal to go to Berwick, or elsewhere on the King's service; for Andrew Hay, esq., and his servant, James Kilgoure, to go to Holland or Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 341]; and for Richard Whitland, one of the Earl of Kingston's servants, to go to Holm Pierrepoint, the said Earl's house in Nottinghamshire. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 79.]

May 22. Hampton Court. The King to the president, vice-president, treasurer and court of assistants of the Artillery Company, London. We, being satisfied of the loyalty of our Artillery Company and willing to promote the welfare and preservation of it in its ancient good order and discipline, do authorize you to frequently exercise the said company in the ground called the Artillery ground, near Moorfields, and in other places where they have formerly exercised. And we likewise give you full power and authority to hold courts, free and public, for the annual election of officers and other occasions, as may be necessary for the government of the said company, according to the ancient rules and practice thereof. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 20.]

May 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the lord mayor of London. The warrants for seizing the horses of papists and suspected persons are not to be put in execution, till further order; similar letters were written to the Earl of Clare and Lord Lucas. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 83.]

May 22. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Serjeant Thompson and Mr. Serjeant Tremaine. Instructing them to appear in the House of Lords on Monday next to defend the cause of the court of Ludlow and the Marches of Wales, in which the rights of the Crown are concerned. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 86.]

May 22. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Directing them to allow Count de Bruay, who is returning to Flanders, to embark on the frigate that convoys the packet boat from Harwich to the Brill. [*Ibid.*]

May 22. Warrant to Henry Sheldon, messenger, to seize Mr. Manly upon suspicion of treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 34.]

May 22. Warrant to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower, to permit Capt. Shakerley to have the liberty of the Tower, attended by a warder. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 343.]

May 22. Passes or post-warrants for David Soyer, Jaques Soyer, David Coppe and Pierre de Lannoy to go to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 336]; for Mr. James Martin, fellow St. Andrews College, in Scotland to go to Scotland; for Ensign John Walcot, in Col. Cutts' regiment, to go to Cambridge for recruits [*Ibid.*, p. 341]; for the Earl of Northumberland, and others, to go to Holland (*as before*); for Count de Bruay to go to Harwich for Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 342]; and for Major Dowcett, Capt. Beverley, Capt. Carlisle, and Mr. Craggs to go to Hull. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 344.]

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May 23. Depositions taken before Nicholas Ridley, the mayor of Newcastle, concerning the pulling down of the statue of James II. at Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Thomas Bowles deposes that on Saturday, the eleventh instant, about 9 p.m. Col. Hayford come into Hedlam's coffee house on the Sandhill, and said that he had ordered the statue on the Sandhill to be pulled down. Two of his soldiers presently came in and said to him that they had pulled it down, whereupon he gave them some money.

Benjamin Reays deposes that on the same day, while he was on the Sandhill, he saw a crowd, and one Capt. Killigrew making a speech from a stage and throwing money among the crowd; and he saw a soldier throw a rope round the statue's neck and pull it down. There were soldiers with carbines standing near the statue.

Allan Bateman deposes to seeing the crowd, and Capt. Killigrew; and that a soldier, in a red coat, with his sword drawn, got up on to the pedestal of the statue, and struck at it, endeavouring to break off the stirrups or spurs.

Francis Johnson deposes to the same effect as Benjamin Reay.

Matthew Blunt, barber-surgeon, deposes to seeing a crowd round the statue "the man being before pulled off horseback."

Robert Maddison, yeoman, deposes to hearing Capt. Killigrew speaking from the mountebank's stage on the Sandhill. The captain said to the rabble that he was not come as a mountebank to take their money but to give them money, and so threw money among them. After the man was pulled off the horse, the people were beating it with stones; and when the deponent said it was a shame, seeing he was pulled off, to abuse it, a soldier or officer in a blue coat, made a pass at him with his sword.

Thomas Mortimer, gentleman, deposes to hearing Capt. Killigrew say: "our laws, liberties and properties were taken away and all by that picture" pointing to it; and that he then saw the statue pulled off. The depositions are addressed and posted to Sir William Blackett, bart., M.P., at the House of Commons. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 53.]

May 23. Caveat that nothing pass relating to the presentation to Hart (*sic*) church, in the county of Hertford, till notice be given to the Bishop of Salisbury. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 7.]

May 23. Hampton Court. The King to the lord mayor of London. The agent of the Hanse Towns has presented a memorial to us, touching certain immunities and privileges claimed by him for the Steelyard; the like memorial having been presented to Charles II., it was referred to the then Lord Mayor of London, and the matter was in every particular approved, namely, that the said agent of the Steelyard ought to be exempt from all duties and taxes whatsoever. We being informed that our subjects residing in the Hanse Towns do enjoy the like or greater privileges, hereby signify our pleasure that the said agent, and the Steelyard, shall be freed from all duties and taxes, and that you restore to the said agent any distress that may have been made upon him. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 11.]

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May 23. Hampton Court. Licence to Sir William Blackett, high sheriff of Northumberland, to live out of the said county during his term of office. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 12.]

May 23. Hampton Court. Declaration for the encouragement of officers, seamen, and mariners employed in the present service, with an Order in Council, directing the distribution of the same. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 28.]

May 23. Hampton Court. Proclamation for a general fast to be held within London and Westminster, and ten miles round, on Wednesday, the 5th of June following, and on Wednesday, the 19th of June in the rest of the kingdom. [*Ibid., No.* 25.]

May 23. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Attorney-General for granting to John Ashburnham, esq., the dignity of a baron by the title of Lord Ashburnham, of Ashburnham, in Sussex. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 346.]

May 23. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Privy Council for "a recruit" of 500 men for the Duke of Schomberg's regiment, lately commanded by the Earl of Dumbarton, in the service of the States General, on account of the desertion of so many Scotch soldiers. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 12.]

May 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of his Majesty's advocate in Scotland, to Sir John Dalrymple of Stair, the younger. [*Ibid., p.* 13.]

May 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to William Lockhart, advocate, to be his Majesty's solicitor in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 15.]

May 23. Passes or post-warrants for Captain Clapham, in the Duke of Bolton's regiment, to go to York [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 341]; for Van Belle, Johannes Jeutdecker, Gilbert Ikemans, Fritz Cabel, Johanner Burster, Gerret van Dycke, Jan Blomdecker, Pieter Wagenaer, Glaude and Aert, Jacob Gerrets, Jan Pieters, Hans Jurgien, Abraham, Govert Fryenbergh, Hans Jan Fomentin, Glaude Siner, Peter Sneder, Ferion David, Eminin, La Crose, Cornelius Ostrom, Abraham Heymen, Jan Piere le Clercq, Jan Battard, Piere Patriarche, Machtel, Gurtruy, Barbe, and Catryn. (*The punctuation is as in the original; some of the names are probably those of children and servants*); for Captain Thomas Sorocold, in Lord Lisburne's regiment, to go to Huntingdon; for Michael Manachan, a poor soldier, to go to Holland; for Christopher Stanfield, also a poor soldier, to go to Holland; for Cornet D'Allemagne, in Lord Cavendish's regiment, to go to Newcastle; for Mrs. Frances and Mrs. Elizabeth Caryll, Mrs. Katherine Browne, Mrs. Margaret Copley, and their servants, John Blissett and Mary Jones, to go to Flanders [*Ibid., p.* 343]; for Jan Boere to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 344]; and for Mr. James Pearse, jun., and three servants to go to Carlisle, Cockermouth, and elsewhere. [*Ibid., p.* 345.]

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The Prince of Waldeck to [the King]. Keeps Dopft (?) with him, in order to gain more light as to the resolutions of the Duke of Saxony and the Landgrave. Determination as to Luxemburg. The Elector of Brandenburg has sent an express to threaten the Landgrave from occupying Schaumburg. Movements of the troops. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 26.]

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The Earl of Shrewsbury to the lord mayor of London. My late instructions have given greater occasion for discourse than the matter needed. Nothing more was intended by it than that the seizing of the horses of the papists should be stopped, until such time only as it might be done with better effect. Officers employed in these affairs ought to be cautioned not to give alarm unnecessarily. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 84.]

May 24.
Whitehall.

The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners for regulating the army. I enclose a letter from Newcastle to Sir William Blackett and Sir Ralph Carr. The King would have you call before you the parties concerned and examine the matter complained of, and proceed against the offender in due course. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 25.]

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Additional instruction for the Commissioners for reforming abuses in the army, as to taking off respites upon the musters. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 224.]

May 24.
Whitehall.

Proceedings upon the petition of George Rodney, esquire, as to a lease of the manor house of Lyndhurst, and petitioner's detention in the Fleet prison. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 33.]

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Proceedings upon the petition of the Marquis de Miremont, late colonel in a regiment of horse, John Staples, Charles Manwaring, William Barlow, John Grosvenor, and Robert Killegrew, captains in the same regiment, praying to be refunded the costs of accoutrements for their regiment, two troops of which have been incorporated in the regiment late of Sir John Fenwick. Referred to the Earl of Ranelagh to report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 35.]

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Proceedings upon the petition of Clere Windham, gentleman. Having lost an appointment in the Custom House for refusing to sign a paper concerning the abrogating of the penal laws and test, he prays to be appointed a land surveyor in the Custom House, London. Referred to the Treasury to report, the King being graciously disposed towards the petitioner. [*Ibid.*]

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Proceedings upon the petition of George Breholt, stating that he is a seaman, well acquainted with the coasts of England, France, and Ireland, and that when commanding certain merchant ships he engaged and took some Dutch and Algerian ships, for which Charles II. presented him with a gold chain and medal, and promised him the command of a man-of-war; but the popish faction prevented it. He now prays for the command of a King's ship. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 37.]

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May 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Green, esq., stating that, in 1640, he had a grant, for life, from King Charles I., of the receiver's place for collecting the fee farm rents in Warwickshire and Leicestershire. Upon their sale, he was allowed a pension of 20*l. per annum.* Prays, in consideration of age and hardship, for a continuance thereof. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book*, *p.* 37.]

May 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Ann Wild, wife of Abraham Wild, commander of the *Aberilla,* merchantman, of Maryland, and Mary Brown, wife of Peregrine Brown, master and part owner thereof, stating that the boatswain, and others of the ship, were impressed in the Bay of "Becheea" [Biscay ?] to go on board the *Henrietta,* Captain Nevill, commander, and afterwards taken prisoners by a French privateer. Pray an inquiry to be made for their husbands. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 38.]

May 24. Proceedings upon the petition of Renier Berkelbach, agent, stating that he had lent Captain William Saxby "4,094 guilders and 12 pence," for which the Marquis of Albaville was bound. Prays that the said sum may be stopped out of monies due to the said Marquis. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 96.]

May 24. Whitehall. Warrant for a *congé d'élire* to the dean and chapter of Bangor to choose a bishop in the place of Dr. Humphry Lloyd, deceased, and recommending to them Humphry Humphreys, D.D., dean of Bangor. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 14.]

May 24. Whitehall. Warrant to James Kitson, messenger of the chamber, or James Horton, constable of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to arrest such persons as they shall be made acquainted with by How, who are suspected of dangerous and treasonable practices against the Government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 344.]

May 24. Whitehall. Warrant to William Sharpe, messenger, to deliver Colonel Cunningham and Colonel Solomon Richards, prisoners, into the custody of the keeper of the Gatehouse. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 345.]

May 24. The like to the keeper of the Gatehouse to receive the above prisoners, on suspicion of dangerous practices against the Government. [*Ibid.*]

May 24. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower, to allow Mr. Richard Graham, a prisoner, to have the liberty of the Tower, attended by a warder. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 346 *and* 347.]

May 24. Hampton Court. "Seeing that John Okell was appointed scrivener to the Household, for his life, by the late King Charles the Second, and, that he had a place, or shop, assigned to him near the banquetting house, which hath since been taken down to make room for other buildings, this warrant is issued to allow him to erect another shop, at his own charge, in some convenient place in Scotland Yard, by the directions of the Surveyor-General; and he is to enjoy the same, without molestation, during the King's pleasure." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 347.]

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May 24. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the office of Treasurer of the Chamber to Sir Rowland Gwynn, knt. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 352.]

May 24. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Sir William Booth, suspected of dangerous and treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 362.]

May 24. Whitehall. Certificate that William Duncan, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Sweden, departed on his employment on the previous day. [*Ibid.* 35, p. 85.]

May 24. Whitehall. Certificate that Robert, Lord Lexington, envoy-extraordinary to the Elector of Brandenburg, departed on his employment on the 20th inst. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 130.]

May 24. Passes or post-warrants for William White, merchant of London, and his boy to go to Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 341]; for Serjeant Goodall, Serjeant Ankerey, and ——— Newton, soldiers in Col. Talmash's regiment, to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 344]; for William Febure, Jacob Vanhder Velden, and Andrew Grave to go to Flanders, and for Captain Fowke, in Sir James Leslie's regiment, and two servants to go to Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 345]; for Count Benoist Oxenstiern, with four servants, to go to Holland; for William Johnson and William Mill to go to Holland; and for Lodowick Carlile to go to Chester. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 79.]

May. 25—Sept. 30. Journal of events in Flanders happening between these dates; giving a minute description of the progress of the campaign. 40 *pp.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 27.]

May 25. June 4. Memorandum, concerning the protestants in France, addressed to the King and Queen of England, and to the Allied powers. Discusses the possibility of effecting a rising of the protestants in France, and the religious feeling in the district of the Cevennes. The "religion" is particularly numerous in Vivarais, Dauphiné, Bas-Languedoc, Rovergue, Haut Languedoc, Fois, and Haute Guienne. The country there is naturally strong, for it is a land of wood and mountain. The Cevennes are about ten miles across. The inhabitants are men of determination, and since the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, the troops have never ventured to make an attack upon their religious assemblies. The number of men capable of bearing arms, on behalf of the protestant cause, is very large, and a rising in any one part of the Cevennes would quickly spread. Ten officers should be sent by way of Switzerland; 50,000 or 100,000 livres should also be sent. The banished ministers, whose presence would be of much assistance, only want the orders of the King of England before starting. The Elector of Brandenburg might be asked to allow the refugee officers, now in his service, to go to Holland or England, in order to their return to France, where they can be of most use. A descent on the coast of the Mediterranean would greatly assist the insurrection. Orders may be sent to Zurich to Mons. de Convenant. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 28.]

May 25. June 4. Maestricht. Prince of Waldeck to the King. Marshal d'Humières is acting foot soldier, getting in grain from all the little Spanish towns, and threatening Mons and Charleroy. Although I do not believe that he intends to besiege either town, I dare not go to the Rhine, before

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I have found out the enemy's intentions, and consulted with the Marquis de Castanaga, who is getting more reasonable. Kaiserworth could be easily taken now, were it not that the bridge at Bonn makes it necessary to watch both banks of the river. I have instructed the generals on the Rhine to take the fort before the bridge at Bonn, and I have left the generals on the Rhine in possession of the artillery, which has at last reached Wesel. I had to supply musket-balls and matches, owing to the negligence of those intrusted with that service; I am still in want of ammunition, and of proper hospitals.

General Montague is here, and complains of the badness of the arms; this should be remedied before the next campaign. He seems reasonable, and has with him six battalions. The English cavalry will find it hard work living here. I have written to Mons. Schenittenburg to come to me. The rumour, current here, that your Majesty had asked for six German regiments, alarms people. It would be inconvenient to send them now; but when I have got back the troops sent to the Rhine, and can use them for an invasion of France, you might have some regiments, replacing them by new levies, or the Elector of Brandenburg might lend troops to be paid by the States. I am sending for two Swedish regiments, and if Denmark keeps quiet, I hope for some from Lunenburg. If the Duke of Lorraine could pass the Rhine, it would be a great help. *Postscript.*—I do not know how to find commissions for Tances and Cavaillero, the Spaniards whom you have sent to me for that purpose, and must ask you for instructions; otherwise I shall have the whole Spanish nation, and the Marquis de Castanaga, up in arms again. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest 5, No.* 29.]

May 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Commissioners for regulating the army. I have received your letter, wherein you desire a power to give a commission to the Judge Advocate, for calling a council of war. There was a warrant for that purpose delivered on Wednesday last to Mr. Barry, Lord Monmouth's secretary, and, with it, at the same time, an order in English to the Dutch officers to obey your lordships' order. As to the omission of Lord Lumley's name in the additional instructions, it was a mistake, which, I hope, will be of no prejudice, since it is inserted in the commission; however, if it be necessary, new instructions shall be transcribed and signed with his lordship's name in them. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 25.]

May 25. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Customs. There being a treaty lately concluded between his Majesty and the States General of the United Provinces, wherein, amongst other things, it is agreed that the captains of the men-of-war belonging to either party which shall be sent to sea as convoys to merchant ships, or to the West Indies, shall be directed to protect, against the insults or attacks, of any person whatsoever, the merchant ships belonging to the subjects of the other party, which shall follow the same route as the men-of-war, and desire to put themselves under their protection; his Majesty commands me to acquaint you with it, that you may give

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notice thereof to all masters of ships, merchants, and other persons concerned. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 26.]

May 25. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Allen to receive into custody, from the provost marshal, the bodies of Robert Lee, and his two servants, and to bring them before Lord Shrewsbury. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 348.]

May 25. The like to Francis Clarke, for arresting James Fitzgerald, gentleman, upon suspicion of dangerous practices against the government. [*Ibid.*]

May 25. Whitehall. Warrant to Arthur Clum, of the General Letter Office, to search for treasonable and seditious printed libels, books, and papers, about the persons, and in the chambers, and warehouses of all carriers, waggoners, and pack-horse men, and hagglers, now on the western roads. [*Ibid., p.* 349.]

May 25. The like to Richard Burnley, of the General Letter Office, for the Northern roads. [*Ibid., p.* 350.]

May 25. Post-warrant for Chichester Grimes, lieutenant in Lord Hewett's regiment, to go to Cumberland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 348]; and pass for William Watson to go to Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 81.]

May 26. Hampton Court. The King to the Governors of Sutton's Hospital or the Charterhouse. Signifying to them his wish that, upon the next vacancy in a poor brother, or pensioner's place, in that hospital, Thomas Lane be admitted to it. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 21.]

May 26. Hampton Court. The same to the mayor and corporation of Kingston-on-Hull. Acknowledging the receipt of an instrument, under the common seal of the corporation, containing the nomination of Robert Banks, clerk, M.A., as vicar of the parish of Holy Trinity, in Hull, void by the death of Nicholas Anderson, clerk; with a request that the King would approve of the election, in accordance with an Act of Parliament made in the reign of King Charles the Second, for separating Trinity Chapel from Hessle and making it a parish church. Request granted. [*Ibid., p.* 22.]

May 26. Whitehall. Pass to Mr. Robert Bradshaw to go to Durham. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 345.]

May 27. Proceedings upon the petition of the inhabitants of Alsford [Alresford]. Stating that their town had been consumed "by a late dreadful fire" and praying the King to give them the poles, pales, and boards at Winchester House. Referred to the Surveyor General, Sir Christopher Wren, for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 96.]

May 27. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Lord Melville has recommended to the King the eight masters of the vessels, whose names are sent herewith, to be allowed to obtain seamen for their voyage to Scotland, under an order "for the re-delivery of such men as have been pressed from them that are yet in the

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river," together with a protection for those engaged in place of men now at sea in the King's service. The King desires your opinion on this matter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 87.]

May 27. Whithall. The same to the same. In consideration of Sir William Courtenay's deserts, the King has bestowed on his son, Mr. George Courtenay, the vice-admiralty of Devonshire and of the city of Exeter. [*Ibid., p.* 95.]

May 27. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires that Thomas Munn, William Watton, Edward Roper, James Codd, Roger Paine, and William Randall be justices of the peace for Kent. [*Ibid.*]

May 27. Hampton Court. Grant of licence to John White "to be our sole printer, in our city of York," and to have the sole use of a printing press there, and the sole power of printing all papers usually printed relating to our revenue and courts of justice in the five northern counties. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 349.]

May 27. Whitehall. Warrant to James Kitson, messenger, to go to Farningham in Kent and there to arrest Gabriel Cox who is accused of dangerous practices against the Government. [*Ibid., p.* 350.]

May 27. Two blank warrants for the arrest of unnamed persons, with a memorandum that both were put into the hands of the Duke of Bolton. [*Ibid., p.* 351.]

May 27. Warrant to apprehend Gabriel Cox, *see above.* [*Ibid., p.* 353.]

May 28. Copies of "an Act for impowering his Majesty to apprehend and detain such persons as he shall find just cause to suspect are conspiring against the government," made the 16th March 1688–9; of a similar Act made the 24th April 1689; and of one "impowering their Majesties to commit, without bail," all suspected persons, made the 28th May 1689. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 2.]

May 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King finding that there is a difference between the two orders made by you, one on the 19th March and the other on the 27th April last, in the dispute between Sir John Cope and Lady Spencer, as to the custody of Lady Cope, widow, a lunatic, desires you to report to whom, and in what manner, the custody of the lunatic ought to be granted. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 88.]

May 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the chief officer of customs at Bristol. The King, being informed that a ship from Guinea, whereof Captain Bridges, is captain, is lately arrived at Bristol, commands me to signify to you his pleasure that you do not permit her to sail out of your port until he shall direct you further. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 27.]

May 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Elizabeth, wife of Edward Tayler, Katherine, wife of James Salmon and Jane, wife of Nicholas Simpson. In October, 1687, their respective husbands were shipped

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on board the *William*, William Peters, master, lying in the Thames, and bound for Madeira and Barbadoes. The ship returned home at Christmas, 1688, and the petitioners have demanded of the master what became of their husbands, but can get no answer from him, nor any account of wages due. They have prosecuted him, but he has removed from court to court. They pray that he may be forced to answer before the King in Council. Referred to the Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 38.]

May 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the certificate of the dean and other dignitaries of Bristol, on behalf of John Potter, who desired to be an almsman in Bristol Cathedral. Order accordingly, to the clerk of the signet, to prepare a warrant of an almsman's place as desired. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 39.]

May 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Arnold, praying for a writ of error, returnable in the high court of Parliament. Granted. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 97.]

May 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Macklin, to be a midshipman under Vice-Admiral Killigrew. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 109.]

May 28. Whitehall. Warrant for grant to John Jones, clerk, of the deanery of Bangor, void by the promotion of Dr. Humphry Humphreys to the bishopric of Bangor. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 17.]

May 28. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Allen, messenger, to go to Stamford and there arrest Thomas Hawkins, mayor of that town, and his brother George, for "affronting and opposing the King," and for other "dangerous practices." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 352.]

May 28. Whitehall. Commission for Col. John Gibson to be lieutenant-governor of the town and garrison of Portsmouth. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 47.]

May 28. Pass for Mrs. Buckingham, her daughter, and Mrs. Askew to go to Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 352.]

May 29. Thomas Arundell to the Earl of Shrewsbury. In December last my wife and I, designing for France, had shipped our goods for Rouen. The rabble took them from the master of the ship and they came into the hands of the constable of Greenhithe. I therefore beg the favour of a warrant to the constable to deliver the goods to Mr. John Rigmarden for my use. [Signed] "Your Lordship's humble servant and kinsman." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 54.]

May 29. Proceedings upon the Petition of Elkanah Settle to Lord Shrewsbury, stating that "he unhappily offended" in setting forth a paper entitled "the Relation of the death of King James, &c." for which he and Robert Hurst, the printer, are indicted, and praying that their prosecution may be stopped. Granted, the Stationers Company being desired to cease the prosecution, as the petitioner had submitted himself and promised not to offend again. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 98.]

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May 29. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Royse, merchant, praying for the post of collector of customs at New York. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 98.]

May 30. Carlisle. Col. T. Langstone to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. One Graham, a kinsman of the Grahams who live on the border of this country, came hither, and mistaking me, by an odd accident, for Colonel Legge, explained to me that the Grahams were ready to help Colonel Legge to get over to Ireland, if he would make his escape from custody here. Mr. Graham also told me that he came from Ireland himself, about a month since, and showed me King William's commission which he received there which had served him for a pass into this garrison. I have examined him before a council but found he was only entrusted with a message from one George Graham and is a very weak foolish man, and knows nothing but what I knew already, namely that the borderers have been almost all engaged against us. I have also examined Mr. Legge. He denies that he knows of any formed party against us or that he had seen Lord Griffin, though he was informed that that lord and others had been about the borders of Northumberland. He denies the paper found in his bag and believes that it belongs to Carlisle, who made his escape. I conjecture that his party is almost all here in custody, but shall be watchful. Colonel Beaumont's regiment is totally disarmed. Could not three companies be sent from York to relieve it? That would make this place quite secure. I have allowed Colonel Legge the liberty of the garrison, as he is indisposed. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 55.]

May 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir George St. George, or the "officer in chief" at Chester. Directing him to send up to London Mr. Donelan, arrested at Chester, with the letters in his possession, he giving just cause of suspicion. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 88.]

May 30. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. Advices from Chester report great neglect on that coast in examining vessels and passengers from Ireland, in consequence of which, intelligence has been carried to the enemy, and spies brought over hither to the great disservice of the government. The King has now put the government of Chester into your hands and directs you to repair forthwith to "your government" and to see that all vessels and persons arriving at, or going from, those parts be thoroughly searched and inquired into and that suspicious persons be secured. [*Ibid.*]

May 30. Whitehall. The same to Col. Francis Russell. Your account of the seizing horses of papists have been received; but you are misinformed concerning Sir Richard Neale for whom persons of note and members of Parliament have spoken. His horses are, therefore, to be forthwith restored to him "for though it be very fitting to disable the enemies of the Government, yet care must also be taken not to increase their number by unnecessary provocations." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 89.]

May 30. Whitehall The same to the Commissioners for the Army. Informing them that the mayor of Stamford, and his brother, have been ordered into

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custody and are to be brought up to London. It is hoped that this will deter others from forgetting what is due to your lordships' and the King's commission. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's* 1, *p.* 89.]

May 30. Whitehall. Proceeding upon the petition of Samuel Ferrier, a prisoner in Dunkirk, stating that he was master of a ship belonging to Sandwich in Kent, and was captured, together with his crew of 8 persons, on returning from Norway, and carried into Dunkirk. Prays they may be exchanged for six French prisoners—Captain Jacob Collins, Surgeon John Maldger, John Langlans, boatswain, Peter Staple, captain-at-arms and Francis Bombault, and John Cabolle, boys:—taken at sea, out of a French privateer of Dunkirk. Referred to the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 39.]

May 30. Whitehall. Licence to Peter Gott, high sheriff of Sussex, to live out of the said county during his term of office. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 13.]

May 30. Whitehall. Warrant to James Kitson, messenger, to go to Chester and to receive into custody James Donelan on suspicion of dangerous practices against the Government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 353.]

May 30. Warrant to Sir Robert Thorold, bart., deputy-ranger and keeper of St. James' Park to permit Thomas Mariet, esq., who has lately taken a house, newly built near the park wall, in the range of buildings commonly called "Carteret Buildings," to break open a hole in the said wall and thereto fix a door, and to use the same as a passage between his house and the park. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 358.]

May 30. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Abingdon, lord lieutenant of the county of Oxford, to issue deputations for appointing Viscount Falkland Viscount Wenman, Lord Lovelace, Henry Bertie, Sir Fairmedow Peneystone, Sir William Walter, Sir John Cope, Sir Robert Jenkinson, Sir John Doyly, Sir Edward Reade, Sir William Glynne, Sir Robert Dashwood, Sir Timothy Tyrrell, Sir Edward Norreys, Sir Thomas Tipping, Sir Edmund Warcupp, Sir William Whitelock, James Herbert, John Stone, Humphrey Wickham, Thomas Tipping, and Thomas Wise, deputy-lieutenants of the county of Oxford. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 48.]

May 30. Whitehall. A Commission for Luke King to be deputy commissary-general of the musters, for the forces to be raised for service in Ireland. [*Ibid.*]

May 30. Passes or post-warrants for Archibald Hamilton, Gustavus Belflower, Samuel Camlyn —— Travers and Ensign Napier, officers in Col. Beaumont's regiment, to go to Carlisle [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 352]; for Mary de Bourdeaux and John de Bourdeaux, her son, to embark at Harwich for Holland; and for Major William Ponsonby, to go to Chester. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 81.]

May 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Captain Andrew Cotton. I have shown your letter to the King, who has directed that the two persons Phillpott and Du Bourck, whom you have brought from Jersey,

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should be brought up in the custody of a messenger; you will therefore deliver them to the bearer, who has a warrant to bring them up, and if you have any papers in your hands relating to the crimes whereof they are accused, pray send them up by the messenger, or let some persons appear who can justify the accusation. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 27.]

May 31. Copt Hall. The King's letter to the Assembly of the Estates of Scotland. At the time of our former letter to you, we did signify to William, Duke of Hamilton, our intention that he should represent our royal person as our High Commissioner, in that session of parliament, and we have authorised our Commissioner to pass such things into laws, as have been lately under your consideration, in relation to the grievances, or whatever else might tend to the security of religion and the prosperity of that kingdom, whereby we have done all upon our part to render you happy and contented.

By your letter of the 24th instant, and by another from William, Duke of Hamilton, we perceive it is your desire that the session of parliament may be delayed for some time, and that many of your members cannot attend the first diet, for which you have not offered your reasons; yet that all the members may be in no uncertainty of their attendance, we have authorised our Commissioner—after your being turned into a parliament—to adjourn you from the 5th day of June to the 17th of the said month. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *pp.* 16–18.]

May 31. Copt Hall. Warrant for a commission to William, Duke of Hamilton, to be his Majesty's High Commissioner in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

May 31. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Evans to receive into custody the commander of the *Charlotte*, yacht, and the persons of Philpot, a Romish priest, and Andrew de Bourck, a Frenchman, brought from Jersey and accused of holding correspondence with the French, and of a design of betraying that island and the Island of Guernsey. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 80.]

May 31. Copt. Hall. Instructions to William, Duke of Hamilton, the King's Commissioner, for holding the first session of the Parliament of Scotland:

1. You are to pass an Act for turning the meeting of the Estates into a parliament, and the three estates are to consist of the noblemen, barons, and burghers.

2. You are to pass an Act for regulating the articles to consist of 24 persons besides the officers of State, whereof 8 are to be chosen by the noblemen from their estate; 8 by the barons, and 8 by the boroughs from their estates, and in case of the decease of any of these persons, that estate out of which the deceased [came], shall supply the same. These are to prepare matters and Acts of Parliament, but not to exclude the parliament to take any matter into their consideration, though it may have been thrown out or rejected in the articles; and all former Acts, especially Act 1 Charles II. s. 3, inconsistent with this, are to be rescinded.

3. You are to pass an Act recognising our, and the Queen's, royal authority and right of the crown, ordaining an oath of

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allegiance to be taken in place of all former oaths of allegiance, and supremacy, declarations, and tests.

4. You are to pass an Act establishing that church government which is most agreeable to the inclination of the people, rescinding the Act of Parliament, 1669, and all other Acts inconsistent therewith.

5. You are to endeavour to pass an Act for raising such a supply as may be necessary for securing the kingdom from the present danger and foreign invasion.

6. You are to pass an Act that forfeitures shall only extend to such interest as the rebel had, and that innocent vassals, or lawful creditors for debts upon record, shall not be prejudged, nor such heirs of entail, whose rights of succession are established by a public infeoffment.

7. You are to pass an Act, either to take away assizes of error or otherwise, that they shall take place as well against a jury that condemns, as a jury that assoils any panel.

8. You are to pass an Act rescinding the 18th Act of Parliament 1661 [1681 ?], asserting the prerogative in point of jurisdiction.

9. You are to pass an Act regulating the abuses in the commissary courts and all other inferior courts.

10. We are satisfied that an Act should be passed for securing the leiges against inquiries by way of inquisition; but in respect of the present juncture of affairs, this matter would be well considered by the parliament, and, therefore, when the terms of this Act shall be adjusted, you are to transmit the same to us, that we may give you particular instructions "thereanent."

11. You are to endeavour to procure an Act for an effectual course for redressing the depredations and robberies by the Highland clans, and when this matter is digested, you are to transmit the proposals to us, that you may get particular instructions.

12. You are to pass an Act rescinding such Acts as were made in the parliament of 1685, as are justly grievous to the people.

13. You are to pass an Act that no persons be banished out of the kingdom, or from any part thereof, summarily, without a process.

14. You are to pass an Act that the Kings or Queens of that realm shall not marry with papists, under this certification, that a popish Queen Consort, or the husband of a Sovereign Queen, shall be incapable of enjoying the benefit or advantage of any provisions or settlements, which the law provides, or particular contracts or agreements may have secured to them.

15. You are to pass an Act that the greater shires of that kingdom, such as Lanark, Ayr, Perth, Fife, Aberdeen, and Midlothian, or others, where it shall be found convenient, may send three or four commissioners to parliament, that the representation may be the more equal.

16. You are to pass an Act ratifying the privileges of the boroughs and securing their rights in electing their own magistrates for the future; and that the boroughs of Glasgow and St. Andrews shall have the electing of their own provosts, baillies, and town council as the other royal boroughs of the kingdom have.

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17. You are to endeavour to procure an Act or Acts for the encouragement of trade; and if the 27th Act of the Parliament of 1683, be found inconvenient, it may be regulated or rescinded, and when the proposals are adjusted you are to transmit the same to us that you may receive our instructions.

18. You are to pass an Act for regulating the Universities, so as good order and discipline may be preserved, and that pious and learned persons may be employed and provided.

19. You are to pass an Act against a standing army in time of peace, but so as the guards, garrisons, and necessary standing forces may be continued.

20. You are from time to time to adjourn the parliament as you shall find necessary, and in respect the meeting may not be fully convened upon the 5th of June, which is appointed for their first diet, therefore, after passing the first Act of turning them into a parliament, you are to adjourn them to the 17th day of the said month.

21. You are empowered to confer the honour of knighthood upon such persons as you shall find deserving of the same, not exceeding the number of six.

You have particular instructions anent what is represented to us as grievances; if there be any other things that may be necessary for the good of that kingdom to be passed into laws, you are to acquaint us from time to time with such overtures, that you may be authorised with particular instructions. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 20.]

May 31. Copt Hall. An additional instruction to William, Duke of Hamilton. You are to nominate William, Earl of Crawford, to be President to the first session of parliament, in regard we have no Chancellor for the time being. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 23.]

May 31. Copt Hall. Warrant to John Cunningham of Enterkin for appending the Great Seal of Scotland to certain commissions, no Chancellor or Keeper of the Great Seal being appointed. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 24.]

May 31. Copt Hall. Warrant for a gift of the office of one of the two clerks of the Privy Council of Scotland to Mr. Gilbert Elliot, advocate. [*Ibid.*]

May 31. Copt Hall. Warrant to John Ross, engraver and goldsmith, in London. Whereas by directions from George, Lord Melville, Secretary of State for Scotland, you are to engrave our great and privy seals for that kingdom, together with our quarter seal, which is to be the upper half of our said great seal, and the reverse thereof, divided in the middle, horizontally or per fess, and three signets thereof, you are hereby authorised to deliver the same to the said Secretary of State. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 25.]

May 31. Passes or post-warrants for Mr. Spencely, adjutant of Col. Leveson's regiment, to go to Lincoln, West Chester and Cockermouth [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 352]; for Col. Richard Brewer, and Mr. William Wallis to go to their quarters at Durham; for John Lover, cook to Lord Portland, to go to Holland and to return [*Ibid.*, *p.* 353]; for Thomas Bulkeley to go to Beaumaris; and for Capt. Thomas Throckmorton to go to Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 82.]

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May. Proceedings in the House of Commons upon a petition of Charles Price, and others, merchants of London, part owners of the ship *Andaluzia*, complaining that their ship was seized in India, in 1684, by the East India Company, and again in England, two years later. The petition was referred to a Committee of the House of Commons to consider the matter, and the whole affairs of the East India Company. On the same paper is a note, dated 20th April [1689], that there was referred to the same Committee, a petition from John and Thomas Temple, complaining that their ship, the *Bristol*, had been plundered and sunk by Capt. John Tyrrell, by order of Sir Josiah Child. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 56.]

May. A proclamation prohibiting the importation of all sorts of manufactures and commodities of the growth, production, or manufacture of France. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 5.]

May. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to permit the Earl of Argyll, Sir James Montgomery, and Mr. Johnston, to see Captain Johnston and Lieutenant Macray, prisoners, without the presence of a keeper. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 318.]

May to June. An account of what men are wanting upon the muster rolls in the several regiments of "Holland establishment." The regiments are the second troop of Guards, second troop of grenadiers, the Royal regiment of horse—which include the Earl of Oxford's, Captain Adderly's, and Capt. Selby's troops; the second regiment of foot guards—the officers of which are Col. Talmash, Lieut.-Col. Selwyn, Major Wingfield, Lieut.-Col. Finch, Lieut.-Col. Cholmondley, Lieut.-Col. Cotton, Lieut.-Col. Edwards, Lieut.-Col. Bridgman, Lieut.-Col. Wilkins, Lieut.-Col. Shenton, Lieut.-Col. Farrington, Lieut.-Col. Seymour, Lieut.-Col. Taylor; the Royal regiment of foot, the Royal regiment of fusileers, the regiment of Scots' foot guards—the officers of which are Captains Keith, Cornwarth, Ogleby, Innes, Davidson, Somervill, Douglas, William Douglas, Hay, and Murray; the Prince George of Denmark's regiment, Colonel John Hales' Regiment, Sir David Collier's regiment, Col. Fitzpatrick's regiment, Col. Hodge's regiment — the officers of which are Captains Hamilton, Norris, Lemon, Hayes, Cole, Redish, and Ayloffe; and Colonel O'Farrell's regiment—the officers of which are Lieut. Colt, and Captains Montgomery, Sharp, Read, Burnet, Cardon, Paterson, Mackenzie, White, and Stratton. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 30.]

June 1. Pembroke. Israel Fielding to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. "Here is a vessell "that, three weeks agone, come from Rochell, with salt, and dis- "charged, most part of it, at Scilly; the rest eight hundred bushels, I "am taking for the King's service. The master, John Pike, says the "town is in a terrible fright expecting daily our fleet upon them, "all hands at work fortifying, a great wall being raised about the "town and a fort at the isle of Oleron. They utter mournfully "their dread of the woeful days our Prince of Orange—as they "call him—will work them. There has been a small privateer "from Ireland about here, but no harm done. One Brown, of "Connaught, an Irish lawyer, who has been in London as agent

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" for King James, has got away from this place in a vessel to " Ireland, probably by the interest of one Mr. William Barlow, a " papist here. You may think he deserves the tax of a messenger " upon him for his pains. His fortune is considerable, and his " removal may take away a harbour that lies too near the " accommodation of this other harbour. I am watching some " others that have been after the same kind of work. I have " some spies abroad that will snap them." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 57.]

June 1. Harwich. Si[mon] Sandford to Owen Wynne. After a long waiting in London upon Major Wildman for the continuance of my place, I find on returning home that one Mr. Westbrown has made some proposals to manage the post service to Holland " by 3 ketches of 12 guns apiece and 40 men." Considering the number and strength of the privateers now at sea, mail boats of that kind " would not go three times before they are taken." There are four mails ready to start and three men-of-war here, the *Pearl*, and *James*, gallies, and the *Constant Warwick;* but they have no orders to convoy us to Holland. There are mails from Holland waiting a convoy and fleets of merchantmen in both countries; there are also many passengers, and some of quality, waiting to be transported. Perhaps orders may be given to remedy this. Yesterday the *James*, galley, brought in a privateer of eight guns and nearly 100 men. *Seal.* [*Ibid., No.* 58.]

June 1. Maestricht. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Enclosing a statement of the enemy's forces. The Marquis of Gastanaga " fait voltiger ses troupes comme sa cervelle lui le dicte," without regard to prudence. He has thrown the Prince of Vaudemont and his forces, which were destined for Flanders, into Mons; this upsets the combinations which were agreed upon, and the cavalry will starve for want of food. All the time which might have been well employed on the Rhine, has been wasted. The Marquis de Gastanaga is growing less haughty, but Falsasini and Tieremont, his principal counsellors, are the cause of many inconveniences. He now wishes to levy contributions every where, especially in Luxemburg, which would mean ruin to us. He also wants me to put my army into Waveren, a very bad situation, as your Majesty will know.

I have not enough cavalry to prevent the French from making incursions into the country. I am marching troops out of this place, and have decided to break down the bridge at Elsto (?) in order to be able to avail myself of some English troops of whom I hear from Lord Churchill, who has arrived in Holland and promises to remedy the irregularities caused by Colonel Hodges and others; the men are far below the paper-strength, and the officers badly paid. The retreat of the Zell contingent, and the uncertainty of the movements of that of Wolfenbüttel, embarrass me much. I can hear no news from Germany. M. de Huckeran must remain with the Duke of Lorraine. The approach of the enemy obliges me to recall my cavalry from the Rhine. This may open part of that country to the enemy. I am in much want of money. The question of appointing brigadiers, urged by Count de

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Nassau, is a very troublesome one; my subordinates are mostly unfit for the post. *Postscript.* The French say that your Majesty will not pay the six millions promised to the States, and all the ill-disposed or ignorant folk in the provinces repeat it. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 31.] *Enclosing—*

Extract from a letter to the Prince of Waldeck giving minute details of the strength of the French army and the camp. M. de Calvaux started this morning to command the troops destined for the Scheldt. The Prince of Vaudemont arrived here yesterday with some cavalry. Mons, 28 *May,* 1689, 8 *p.m.* [*Ibid., No.* 31 (i).]

June 1. Whitehall. The King to the Governors of the hospital called Sutton's Hospital, or the Charterhouse, directing them, on the next vacancy of a poor brother or pensioner, to admit John Moor to the same. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 13.]

June 1. Whitehall. The King to Sir Fairmedow Peneyston, bart., sheriff of Oxfordshire. Granting him leave to remain or dwell out of that county during his term of office. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 23.]

June 1. Whitehall. The King to the Earl of Leven, Viscount Tarbet, the Master of Melville, and Major-General Mackay. Whereas we understand that divers of our subjects, especially in the north and west Highlands, being disaffected, do daily associate themselves in open rebellion against us; and being informed that the generality of them are misled by a few persons, who are the chiefs or heads of the several clans, we, being desirous to prevent the effusion of blood, and if possible by all gentle means to reduce our said subjects to their due obedience, do hereby authorise and require you, forthwith, to use your best endeavours to "effectuate" the same, and in order thereunto to "capitulate" with those who are judged the chiefs or heads of the clans or leaders of any parties now in arms against us, giving them assurance of our gracious pardon if in due time—prescribed to them by you—they submit themselves to our mercy, and give surety for the future to demean themselves as loyal subjects. You are also to make to them such offers and proposals as shall be communicated to you by George, Lord Melville, our Secretary of State for Scotland, whose letters to you, anent the premises, we require you to observe and rely upon as from ourself. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 26.]

June 1. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Lumley. I enclose an information against Richard Carr, of Henham, within your lieutenancy, and desire you will enquire into the matter, and, if needful, arrest him. Now you are "upon entering" into Northumberland, I must acquaint you that I am informed that some officers of the army have been seizing the horses of papists in that county. This duty is entrusted to the justices of the peace, by the late Act of Parliament, and to the deputy-lieutenants by the Act for the militia. You will take care that these carry out their duties so that the officers of the army may be willing to leave the matter in their hands. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 90.]

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June 1. Whitehall. The same to "the Officer Commanding in Chief at Chester." Mr. Matthew Anderton has sent a certificate from a physician to excuse himself from coming up to London to answer "what should be objected to him about provisions furnished by him for Ireland." He should be secured at Chester until he has answered to the charge. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 90.]

June 1. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Lumley. The King is very well satisfied at the seizure of Mr. Turner, and at the condition of your regiment: he "rather believes your report of it, than what hath been said to asperse it." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 91.]

June 1. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Bussell. I have received your account of the seizing of some horses belonging to the Earl of Derwentwater, but must refer you to Lord Lumley, lord-lieutenant of Northumberland, for instructions. [*Ibid.*]

June 1. Whitehall. The same to Col. Pack. I have received your account of the capture of Lieut. Graham, "whose simplicity has let you into a discovery of what would have been attained otherwise with greater difficulty." His expedient for passing unsuspected will expose him to more danger than he expected. [*Ibid.*]

June 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the officers of customs at Bristol. The King commands me to signify his pleasure to you that you permit and suffer the officers or servants, sent down by the Royal African Company, to unload the ship, whereof Captain John Bridges is captain, lately arrived from Guinea, in the port of Bristol, or to land any part of her cargo, and that you suffer the said ship to sail out of the port, according to the directions given by the said company in this behalf, my former letter to you of the 28th May to the contrary, notwithstanding. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 28.]

June 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the master, wardens, &c., of the Trinity House of Deptford Strond, praying for confirmation of their charter; some of their powers having, by length of time, become impracticable. Referred to the Attorney General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 40.]

June 1. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Thomas Chicheley, praying leave to renew a commission to some inhabitants of South Cave, and other places on the shore of the Humber, in Yorkshire, for the discovery of several derelict lands in those parts. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 99.]

June 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Dore to be employed as a commander of a ship-or-war, in consideration of the loss sustained by him through the loss of his ship in the King's service. Referred to the Admiralty for a report upon the loss thus sustained, and to consider the petitioner's qualifications for such an employment. [*Ibid.*]

June 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Peter Bettescombe, praying leave to bring in a writ of error upon the judgement and attainder of his brother, Christopher Bettescombe, executed at Lyme for assisting the Duke of Monmouth. Granted. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 100.]

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June 1. Whitehall. Certificate that Robert Molesworth, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Denmark, departed on that employment on the 30th of May last. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 82.]

June 1. Hampton Court. Commissions for John Petry to be adjutant and youngest lieutenant of the second troop of horse guards, whereof James, Duke of Ormond is captain and colonel [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 89]; and for Anthony Rousseau to be surgeon of the same troop. [*Ibid., p.* 92.]

June 1. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for John Wachers to go to Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 352]; for Captain Herbert, in Col. Beaumont's regiment, to go to Carlisle; for Mons. Estienne Cambolun to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 353]; for Robert Galbraith, gent., to go to Edinburgh and Glasgow; for Mr. Thomas Anderson, and one servant, to go to Flanders; and for Lieut. Gilks, in Sir John Lanier's regiment, to go to Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 354.]

June 2. Salisbury. The Earl of Roscommon to the Earl of Shrewsbury. No man in my regiment, or quarters, wants a shilling of his due, as appears by discharges from their landlords. I therefore am not anxious about Captain Burk's petition against me. In breaking him I obeyed your lordship, the general, and my duty to the King. When I found that hired men were brought at the muster of the regiment, I broke a captain at the head of the regiment for doing so; nor was there need of such fraud, for I completed 81 above my full number. I have shown all kindness to Captain Burk and all justice too. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 59.]

June 2. Hampton Court. Warrant for exchanging guns on board the *Elizabeth.* [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 83.]

June 3. Memorandum of the proceedings of the Committee of Trade and Plantations. The Commissioners of the Admiralty attended and reported that they were fitting out nine hired ships, besides the *Dunkirk*, for the squadron for the West Indies, and gave an account of the state of preparation in which each ship was. The Earl of Torrington did not think the hired ships proper for the service, but that it should be performed by fourth-rates out of the fleet, as soon as nine of these could be relieved by six third-rates, while the nine hired ships, with three others, being fitted out, should be employed as cruizers about the coast. The Commissioners of the Admiralty thought that this course meant delay, and an increased charge of 40,000*l.* on the estimates of the year. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 60.] *Attached—*

A letter from Phineas Bowles to Mr. Blathwait, dated 28 *May, on the same subject.* [*Ibid., No.* 60 (i).]

June 3. Petition of Benjamin Coling and Nathaniel Cox, keepers of his Majesty's Council Chamber, praying that, for their constant attendance on the Committee of Plantations, and other committees, that they may be allowed 2*s.* a day, beyond the 2*s.* 6*d.* a day for attendance on the Privy Council. The petition is referred to William Blathwait, esq. [*Ibid., No.* 61.]

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June 3. Whitehall. Passes for Mrs. Campbell to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 352]; for Jilleman Hendrix, ditto; for Garret Bull, ditto; for Ernest Valentin Herdfelt, ditto; and for Francis Taylor and Francis Leverage, soldiers in Col. Leslie's regiment, to go to Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 354.]

June $\frac{4}{14}$. Tirlemont. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. I am about to start to meet the Elector of Brandenburg. The Count of Nassau, and the other generals, will remain here as long as the forage holds out. The Marquis de Gastanaga has sent to the Hague to ask that I may be ordered to lead my army against the marauders and to protect the suburbs of Brussels. The important thing is to protect Brabant and Hainault and to keep my cavalry for a better use than pursuing marauders. Lieutenant-General Huby, who is at Louvain, with cavalry and calls himself under my orders, has detached 400 horse to Brussels, and the Prince of Vaudemont has also been fetched thither against his will. Count Horn has marched the troops shown in the enclosed; and now that no more troops can be moved from their proper places, the Marquis writes angry letters and Count Horn complains that the Prince of Vaudemont has been taken from Flanders. M. de Hackeren ought to be at Frankfort. M. Hoop tires of Vienna, but he is of more use there than he could be anywhere else. When I reach Duisburg, where the Elector is, I can tell you more. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 32.]

June 4. London. Lord Melville to the Duke of Hamilton. I waited on the King, and gave his Majesty an account of my being informed from Scotland that several of the Highlanders were in arms, and some joined with Viscount Dundee, and that many of the standing forces were marched to the north to join General Mackay, who was in pursuit of the rebels. His Majesty was pleased to tell me that he thought it was of greater concern to the country, in this present juncture, that the Major General [Mackay] should march southward with his troops towards Edinburgh and Glasgow, &c., with all convenient diligence, after having taken some care to secure Inverness and such other places as he judged convenient for the safety of the country, rather than go in pursuit of Dundee through the Highlands, which would render his horse unserviceable through want of forage and travelling in bad ways; it would also expose the south and west countries to great danger in case of any invasion, the forces being from thence at so great a distance. This, his Majesty commanded me to signify to Major General Mackay, or to Colonel Balfour, in his absence, and to acquaint your grace with the same. The account his Majesty has of the strength of the Highlanders and Dundee's party, is so uncertain that he could not give more particular directions therein, but refers the same to the Council, in whose prudence and good conduct he very much relies, and doubts not but they will take such proper methods as may be effectual for the reducing those now in arms against his Majesty, and securing the kingdom from any danger of foreign invasion. The King also commanded me to tell your grace that whatever account is sent to the Council of the condition of the north country, or what else relates to the public interest of the nation, you should transmit the same to his Majesty.

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Supplemental letter:—Since the writing what is above, I received your letter, with Major-General Mackay's letter to your grace, from Badenoch, by a flying packet, upon which I went immediately and gave his Majesty an account of the same. He was going out of town, so I had but little time to discourse him; but in regard that the number and designs of Dundee and his associates are still uncertain, he could give no particular directions, but commanded me to tell your grace, that notwithstanding what is before written, yet he did refer the matter to his Privy Council to take such measures with Major-General Mackay, as the present circumstances do require, and likewise to secure such persons as they see just cause for. In my opinion it would be very necessary that some speedy course should be taken for getting intelligence from the Irish side, whether there be any appearance or present disposition of an invasion from Ireland, and of what forces they have in the north, and if they have ships and vessels prepared, to transport them, and that the captains of the two ships might be ordered to land some of their men in Ireland, if they may do it securely, to get the more distinct information from several parts of the coast. There are between 20 and 30 of the Dutch fleet said now to be out, and Admiral, now Lord Torrington, is to go to sea this week with 25 sail. The King is more confirmed of the necessity of the sitting of the Parliament, and that persons of your grace's interest cannot well be absent. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 27.]

June 4. London. The same to Major-General Mackay. The King has commanded me to signify to you, that upon the consideration of what disadvantage it may be to your troops, especially to the horse, through want of forage and otherwise, to continue in the northern parts, in pursuit of Dundee and the Highlanders, and how dangerous it may be to the south and western parts of the kingdom if any invasion should happen, and the country be destitute of forces able to make any considerable resistance, it is his Majesty's pleasure that you repair southward with your forces towards Glasgow and Edinburgh, and such other places where they may be conveniently posted, for the security of the country, and that you may take the most effectual way for the securing of the northern parts, either by leaving a detachment, or by posting men in the most convenient places where they can be in security, and by endeavouring to draw off from the Highland combination such as may be misled into it, and what you undertake for the doing of this, his Majesty will exactly perform. There was a particular commission sent last week, which you will find at Edinburgh, empowering you, with some others, to take effectual course for bringing over any disaffected of the Highland clans to their due obedience. The particular observation of those things is left much to you, being upon the place, by which you have a better opportunity to find out the inclinations of people. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 29.]

June 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Job Charlton. Directing him to send up the judicial seal of the counties of Chester, Flint, Denbigh, and Montgomery, now in his custody as chief judge of that circuit,

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to the officers of the Mint to be altered to their present Majesties' style. The same letter, *mutatis mutandis*, was sent to Richard Hopton, esq., for the seal of Merioneth, Anglesey, and Carnarvon, and to Mr. Sergeant Wyat for that of Brecon, Radnor, and Glamorgan. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 92.]

June 4. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Chester. It is suggested that the King's allowance, which you were directed to disburse amongst the Irish officers, is not paid, that the others are not allowed above three halfpence a day, and that the usage of all of them is very hard, by crowding too many into the same room and by the denial of necessaries and conveniences. I should be glad to be satisfied in these particulars. [*Ibid.*]

June 4. London. The same to Lord Delamere. The King is very sensible that your care and interest are great reasons for the good inclination expressed by the militia and people of the country, but does not think it for his service at present to give out such commissions (?) as they desire. He requests you to use all prudent means to continue the good intentions, to keep up the hearts of the honest party, and to have a watchful eye on the papists. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 93.]

June 4. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. Requesting them to add the name of the Hon. John Gray to the list of the justices of the peace for Worcestershire. [*Ibid.*]

June 4. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners for regulating the Army. Directing them to bestow upon Captains Atkinson and Berry, late of Sir John Edgeworth's regiment, the two first companies that shall become vacant in any of the regiments viewed by the Commissioners. [*Ibid.*]

June 4. Whitehall. The same to Lord Lucas. Informing him that, pursuant to an address of the House of Commons, Col. Lundy, a prisoner in his custody, is to attend the committee of the House when desired. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 94.]

June 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Arthur, Earl of Torrington, stating that a patent was granted on the 4th of December 1686, to Isaac Marryot, for a moiety of concealed lands, &c., for 61 years, at a rent of 5*l. per annum* for every 100*l. per annum;* the other moiety is at his Majesty's disposal, and the petitioner prays for a grant thereof. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 41.]

June 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Woodward, William Gilbert, and Richard Master, stating that the office of registrar and writer of acts of the ecclesiastical court of Huntingdon was granted by Dr. John Hammond, the present archdeacon, to the petitioners for life, and to the survivor of them. They are advised that the said grant is not effectual in law, and that the office is at his Majesty's disposal. Referred to the Solicitor-General. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 42.]

June 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Ann, Countess of Newburgh, to be discharged of half a year's rent, due to the King from her. Referred to the Treasury for report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 100.]

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June 4. Caveat that no grant pass to Mr. Guyes, Mr. Robins, or any other, of the office for registering servants to go to the Plantations, till notice be given to Alderman Thompson, of York, M.P. for that city, or to Mr. Kynvin, in Bow Lane. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 7.]

June 4. Whitehall. Appointment of Lionel Copley as lieutenant-governor of Kingston-upon-Hull, to act in the absence of Thomas, Marquis of Carmarthen, governor thereof. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 52.]

June 4. Warrant to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower, to permit Lord Preston to have the liberty of the Tower, attended by a warder. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 254.]

June 4. The like for Lord Montgomery. [*Ibid.*]

June 4. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Henry Villiers of the office of master of "our tennis courts and tennis plays at Whitehall, Hampton Court, and elsewhere, built and to be built for our royal sport and recreation." [*Ibid., p.* 355.]

June 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Henry Powle, Speaker of the House of Commons, of the office of Master of the Rolls. [*Ibid., p.* 356.]

June 4. Whitehall. Warrant to Samuel Cooke to arrest Thomas Sutton on suspicion of dangerous practices against the Government. [*Ibid., p.* 361.]

June 4. Whitehall. A like warrant to John Stephens to apprehend Roger Hesketh. [*Ibid.*]

June 4. Passes on Diego Dinghens to go to Flanders and to return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 354]; for Samuel Billon, a French protestant, to go to Holland [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 82]; and for Count de Dona to go to France. [*Ibid., p.* 84.]

June 5. Chester. The Earl of Meath to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have secured Matthew Anderton according to your instructions. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 62.]

June 5. Holme Pierrepoint. The Earl of Kingston [lord lieutenant of Nottinghamshire and of the East Riding of Yorkshire] to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I request you to give this to the King, which will show him how well we are affected to him in these parts. As some of the deputy lieutenants are old, and some in Parliament, I trust that the names of these four additional ones may be approved. In accordance with my promise to the King, I beg to recommend Mr. Walter Laycock as surveyor-general of the woods north of Trent. [*Ibid., No.* 63.]

June 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires that Thomas, Lord Beaumont, Viscount Swords, in the kingdom of Ireland, Sir John Noel, bart., John Delafountaine, Thomas Lewis, John Wilson, Charles Morris, George Moreton, George Pochin, Edward Conyers, Rowland Browne, and John Oneby (?) be added to the commission of the peace for Leicestershire. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 94.]

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June 6. Whitehall. Whereas Captain Nugent now a prisoner in Maidstone Gaol, on the charge of murder, has offered to procure the enlargement of John Price, of Ballindery, in the county of Wicklow, now a prisoner in the gaol of the said county, this warrant is issued to certify that if the said John Price be set at liberty, upon notice of his arrival in any part of England, Captain Nugent shall also be pardoned and allowed to go where he will. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 356.]

June 6. Whitehall. Warrant to affix the Great Seal to a commission constituting Sir William Trumbull, knight, ambassador to the Grand Seignor. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 5.]

June 6. Hampton Court. Proclamation for collecting the arrears of hearth money. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 29.]

June 6. Hampton Court. Proclamation prohibiting trade and correspondence with France. [*Ibid., No.* 30.]

June 6. Whitehall. Passes for Col. Roger Kirby to go to Lancaster; and for Col. Ringrave to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book,* 34 *p.* 355.]

June 7. London. William Crouch, R. Lordell, Joseph Lopes, and Policarpio D'Oliveyra, proprietors in England and Portugal of the *Madre del Dios* to Owen Wynne, secretary to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Asking that their ship may be released, as her delay is causing serious damage to the cargo which is made up of perishable goods; two pipes of oil had already run to waste. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 64.]

June 7. The Earl of Oxford to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I enclose certain libels "which came to me in a penny post paper." I think they ought to be considered, since I hear more have, this night, been scattered about the streets. [*Ibid., No.* 65.]

June 7. Whitehall. R. Y[ard, clerk in the State Paper Office] to Sir Joseph Williamson The Dutch fleet of 30 great ships, including two flag ships, was seen yesterday off the Goodwin Sands on its way to Portsmouth. Major-General Kirke was seen last Sunday off the Isle of Man having the wind very scanty; however it is hoped he is, ere this, at Londonderry. It was expected there would be great warmth in the House of Commons to-day, but it passed off, that the business of the East India Company ought to be proceeded with. The King of Denmark has sent a gentleman to say that he is willing to accommodate matters with the Duke of Holstein and to submit to the arbitration of the Emperor, and the king of England. [*Ibid., No.* 66.]

June 7. A list of such small ships, fire ships, sloops, yachts, &c., as are not included in any former estimate; besides sundry other charges for ships hired for transporting soldiers, &c. Amongst the items, "two small frigotts of 10 or 12 guns hired at Bristoll to remaine under command of Major.-Gen. Kirke at Londonderry." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 32.]

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June 7. "An estimate of all the expense for the year beginning the first of January last, and of all the incomes settled or yet in prospect to answer the same."

Expenditure	-	-	4,600,038*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*
Receipts	-	-	2,230,000*l.* 0*s.* 0*d.*

Remaining then to be provided for, by estimation, 1,770,038*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* There are no funds to answer this "but the new buildings and pecuniary forfeitures," which are uncertain and small in amount; moreover in this year the full revenue granted by parliament cannot be received, and the outstanding debts or arrears are not included. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 33.]

June 7. Diagram showing the position troops encamped at Hildesheim. [*Ibid., No.* 34.]

June 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir John Eyles, knight, praying that George Hannay may have a patent to be "provos-marshall" of Barbados, as heretofore enjoyed by him. Referred to the Committee for Trade and Plantations. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 111.]

June 7. Whitehall. Passes for the Hon. William Constable to go to Holderness and Cleveland in Yorkshire, for John Davis, a soldier in Col. Babbington's regiment, to go to Holland; for Col. John Staples to go to Scotland and for Mrs. Price to go to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *pp.* 357 *and* 358.]

June 8. Sir John Edgeworth to the Marquis of Carmarthen. I know not whether your lordship shewed my petition, or my character, to the King, or whether the King will have any compassion on me, and my suffering family. I propose that, if his Majesty will give me the command of the worst ship now at Liverpool, or in Major-General Kirke's fleet, I will, in six days from the date of my orders, wind and weather serving, find my way into Derry or perish. If the King will grant me this post of honour, I will take it for the greatest favour he could confer. I conclude with the poet, "When fortune hangs in doubt, bravely to dare is bravely to get out." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 67.]

June 8. Chester. William Streete, mayor of Chester, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. The prisoners at the castle here have complained, without cause, as I am informed by the gaoler. I have already sent you an account of the moneys disbursed by me for the prisoners, and in transporting part of the Dutch regiment to the north of Scotland, and have sent a letter of attorney to Mr. George Mainwaring, one of our members of parliament, to receive the money. All good men are well pleased with our governor, Sir John Morgan. [*Ibid., No.* 68.]

June 8. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir John Guise, bart., stating that a patent was granted by the late King James, to "one Labadie, by means of his wife being nurse to the pretended Prince of Wales," for "knapping of cloth and freese," for 14 years; prays that the grant may be given to him, the said Labadie being a papist, and in rebellion. Referred to the Attorney, or Solicitor-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 43.]

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June 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is the King's pleasure that Thomas, Lord Coventry, be appointed *Custos Rotulorum* of the connty of Worcester. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 94.]

June 8. Whitehall. The same to Lieut.-Col. Fitzwilliams. Directing him to discharge one Valentine Cogswell, who has been arrested upon suspicion, if there be nothing particular to be laid to his charge. [*Ibid., p.* 95.]

June 8. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Exeter. I will acquaint the Committee of Council "with what you write about the wheat and oats, that have been shipped, and the biscuit and oats, that remain." You should first procure a certificate that the goods are in good condition. [*Ibid.*]

June 8. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of George, Earl of Northampton as lord-lieutenant of Warwickshire and the city of Coventry. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 357.]

June 8. Whitehall. Warrant to Joseph Hill to make a search for goods belonging to the Spanish Ambassador in the house of ————, at "the Blue Bell," and ———— at "the Black Bull," in Vere Street, near the New Market, and in the house of ————, blacksmith, "in Pickadilly," near St. James' Street, or in any other suspicious places; and to bring the goods, if found, and the owners of the houses, before the Earl of Shrewsbury. [*Ibid., p.* 359,]

June 8. Whitehall. Blank writ of *Habeas Corpus* to bring up the body of a prisoner from Salisbury gaol. [*Ibid., p.* 360.]

June 8. Warrant to apprehend Morris Meredith upon suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices. [*Ibid., p.* 362.]

June 8. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend James Brownes, vicar of Owston in the county of Lincoln, for certain high crimes and misdemeanours. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 84.]

June 8. Passes and post-warrants for Edward Leigh, captain in Lord Cornbury's regiment, to go to Berwick; for Margaret Stewart and Anne Irwin to go with their husbands, being soldiers, to "Hewsden, in Holland" [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 358]; for Gerrit Roelof, a Dutch trooper, to go to Holland; for Mark Anthony, servant to Lord Kingston, to go to some place not specified, and for William Burton, clerk, to go to Whitby and to return. [*Ibid., p.* 359].

June 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. In April last, Captain Ekins, holding a commission from the United Provinces, seized a French ship off Scilly; but was prevented by Captain Blackwall, governor of the Scilly Isles, from carrying his prize to Holland for adjudication, under the provisions of the treaty of Breda. Captain Blackwall states that the ship is detained by the Commissioners of the Customs. His letter and the petition from Captain Ekins are enclosed, in order that you may lay a report upon the whole matter before the King. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 97.]

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June 10. London. Francis Cahane to Major George Matthews in Chester Castle. I showed your note to Mr. Bourk, who would not give me the money. I would not trouble you again, but have not a farthing "to bless myself withall." Watt. Burke, with seventeen of the men, is gone from the Isle of Wight, with the rest, and arrived safe at Hamburgh. I, and Domnick Dowell, made our escape out of the island and went to Poole. We had agreed with seamen there to take us to France for 16*l.*, but, going on shore, we were discovered and barely escaped hither, losing all our money. I did not deliver your letter to Sir Richard Baley as he is out of town and I dare not stir abroad for the Irish "Hughgonetts" that swarm in town. Clark, Lutterel, and others are here. *Postscript.* The names of the 17 men are given. "Colonel Makeliquody [Macgillicuddy] has proved very ill to us and is the cause that we are here." The names of the officers are: Cornet Weight, Quartermaster Solevant, [Sullivan?] Quartermaster Boork, Quartermaster Barnaval, and 150 dragoons. Captain Geohe [and his] brother made their escape with me but were overtaken and sent back to the Isle of Wight. My humble service to Mistress Patty." *Further Postscript.* "I delivered yours this day to Sir Richard, and he tells me that the Queen is very much troubled by everybody; he promises to help me. Colonel Maqueliquody did prove an ill man to us; but for him, a great many would not be here." Twelve hundred men went away with him. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 69.] *Enclosing—*

George Matthews to Francis Bourke, merchant, Coleman Street, London. "*Dear Frank, the bearer, Francis Cohane, alias "'Boirmoret,' was my lieutenant," furnish him with* 3*l. and draw upon me for it. Chester, 5th June,* 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 69 (i).]

June 10. Sandwich. Petition from thirteen young Frenchman, serving the French factors in Spain, stating, that before the outbreak of war between England and France they sailed from Spain in an English vessel; at the Isle of Wight, the captain heard of the war, and refused to land them at Havre but conveyed them to the Downs, from whence they prepared to sail to France, being assured that they need fear no impediment in doing so. But they were arrested, and taken before the Mayor of Sandwich and confined in the gaol there. They now pray for their release and that their property and money, to the value of two hundred *écus* may be given back to them. *Attached* are the names of the petitioners. [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

June 10. Thomas Tobin to Mrs. Throckmorton, at Stevenage. "This is to lett your Ladyship understand that I am in good health, hopeing that these few lines will find you so. I am sorry that it hath been my misfortune of finding no conveniency in letting you understand how our lieutenant-colonel served us in Chester. We came there of Sunday, and a Monday morning we were all brought out to the field, knowing nothing of his ill designs. When we were drawn up, he spoke to the sergeants to pick out all the papists that was there, upon which they picked out seven or eight. Then he asked, if there was any more of the rogues left, and swore that all the whole regiment must take an oath to fight against King J[ames] and all popery. Upon that I laid down my arms and four more. Then they were

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all stript of their red coats, shoes, some stockings, and some their hats But above all the poor piper and hoeboy was stript to their very shirts and their pipes and all their music taken away from them, not suffering them to speak one word for themselves. Then we were brought before the Mayor, expecting nothing but death or imprisonment; but, as it fell out, the Mayor would not meddle with us, but did bid him hang us if they (*sic*) pleased. Then the Lieut.-Colonel ordered that we should be turned out of the town, guarded with so many sergeants and so many musqueteers, not suffering one of us to step to our quarters for our linen or any other thing whatsoever. Then the rabble of the town fell upon us and was like to stone us to death, but, blessed be God, we all escaped from their hands, we being in number three or four and twenty, but none that you [know?] excepting the two pipers and I. Then I ha[d] taken my journey to Holywell in Wales and from thence I came into Lancashire and still remain expecting my master, which I trust in God will not be longe. There is abundance of Irish in the gaol of this county and three or four priests. I have no certain news at this present to tell you, but that it is a general report here the French has taken three thousand soldiers, that was sent for Ireland upon the first of this instant, Major-General Kirke being commander. We all expect that the King will land very soon in England or else come by Scotland, Scotland being his own already. Dear Madam, you should oblige me for ever, if I may hear from you, and your good family, and direct your letter for Madam Mullenex at Mossborough near Prescot in Lancashire. Pray give my humble service to all your good family not forget little Mr. Thomas." [*Ibid., No.* 71.]

June 10.* Tirlemont. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Things are still in the same state here. The French send out detachments to waste the country in the neighbourhood of Brussels. The Marquis de Gastanaga wants me to come to Waveren. This would leave the way open to Bois le Duc and would endanger [?] the Prince, Liége, and Charleroy. I shall not quit this place until I have concerted with Brandenburg what is to be done after the capture of Kaiserworth. I must see the Elector to keep him in the right way of thinking. Enclosed is a letter from the Duke of Lorraine. I have been obliged to discharge Captain Lautsbury [?] and Captain Hunt, as their companies were in a wretched state; MM. Motance and Cavailliero will replace them at the request of M. de Wiebbenum. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 35.] *Enclosing—*

Copy of a letter from the Duke of Lorraine to the Prince of Waldeck. You are already aware that I am assembling my army in the neighbourhood of Frankfort and Wiesbaden; in a few days the muster will be complete, but I am already sending certain troops to cross the Rhine at Coblenz, the only passage open to me. I am waiting for the Elector of Saxony and the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, and on their arrival, after providing for the safety of the Rhine country, shall advance to Coblenz. If in about a week you will send

* This date should read "June $\frac{1}{10}$."

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someone to inform me of your movements, I will inform him of mine. Frankfort, 3 June 1689. [*Ibid. No.* 35 (i).]

June $\frac{10}{20}$. Ordingen. The same to King William. Now that I have arrived here I find the Elector of Brandenburgh well disposed, and his army much increased, although the conduct of the House of Lunenburg has compelled him to leave two regiments in Halberstadt. The Elector is going to the camp at Kaiserworth, on which place two attacks will be made. With much trouble, I have got two regiments of cavalry back with me, and as soon as the trenches are open, I shall return to the army where Marshal d'Humières is trying to gain advantage by my absence. "Monsieur Milort Malbruck" [Lord Marlborough] is expected with six batallions. I am still in want of money. [*Ibid., No.* 36.]

June 10. Proceedings upon the petition of William Helder, setting forth that he was bred to the sea, on the ship *George*, Capt. Neremiah Earning, commander, belonging to the East India Company, now taken into the King's service; and praying for the command or it. Referred to the Admiralty to gratify the petitioner, "if it suit with the King's service," the petitioner being well recommended by "his owner," and others. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 100.]

June 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Christian, to have the grant of the post of customer and collector of the port, and members of Carlisle. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid., p.* 101.]

June 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Thomas Dereham, knt., praying a privy seal for payment of 10*s. per diem*, "as carrier of despatches from the Court to the first stage or post office of the general postmaster." Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

June 10. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of Christopher Rodd for a writ of error, returnable in Parliament, against Jonathan Screene. Granted. [*Ibid., p.* 102.]

June 10. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of Barnabas Tunstall for a writ of error, returnable in Parliament, against Thomas Smith. Granted [*Ibid.*]

June 10. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Coote, esq., to be messenger of the Exchequer. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid., p.* 103.]

June 10. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. There having been a petition presented to us by the lady of Drum, representing that Alexander Irving, of Drum, inclining to the protestant religion, contrary to the profession of his fathers and nearest relations, and having been married to the petitioner, has been first violently taken from her by his popish relations, and afterwards, by an order of Council, obtained by the influence of the popish ministers, sequestrated into the hands of Patrick Leslie, of Balquhaine, a papist, who does not allow his lady access to see him, and appoints 3,000 marks for his maintenance, with liberty to place servants about him; therefore we do require you to take this affair into consideration and, without delay, to give order for rendering him out of the custody of papists and

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commit him to the charge and custody of any indifferent person, being protestant, living in or near Edinburgh, where his affairs are. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 30.]

June 10. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of underkeeper or appender of the Great Seal of Scotland, to Mr. Alexander Inglis. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 31.]

June 10. Hampton Court. Warrant for the royal assent and confirmation of the election of Dr. Gilbert Ironside, to the see of Bristol. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 230.]

June 10. Pass for Cornet Thomas Freckleton and Thomas Morier, chaplain in Sir John Lanier's regiment, to go to Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 358.]

June 11. Ludford. Sir Job Charlton to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Has forwarded to London, as requested, the judicial seal for the circuit of Chester, Flint, Denbigh and Montgomery. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 72.]

June 11. Whitehall. The King to the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury, authorising them to grant to Elizabeth Bargrave, widow, a renewal of the lease of certain houses, built within the precincts of the cathedral, which Charles I. had ordered to be demolished; but Charles II., in consideration of the loyalty of the parents of the said Elizabeth, had authorised that the lease should be renewed. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 14.]

June 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lieut.-Col. Matthew. Informing him that the seizure of horses is entrusted to the justices of the peace, and that in future he is to prevent his soldiers from interfering in the matter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 96.]

June 11. Whitehall. The same to [Gilbert Ironside, bishop] elect of Bristol. Acknowledging a letter of the 8th instant, "with the print, which is but one of many that are spread about. His Majesty does not doubt your care and diligence in suppressing anything else of the same kind." Promises to do everything possible for the service of "your University." [*Ibid.*]

June 11. Whitehall. The same to Lieut.-Colonel Fitzwilliam at Newcastle. You may release Thomas Harrison, a companion of the prisoner Coggswell, concerning whom I wrote to you. [*Ibid.*]

June 11. Whitehall. The same to the Attorney-General. Instructing him to ascertain whether the right to dispose of the post of knight-harbinger is in the Crown or in the Lord Chamberlain, who claims it. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 98.]

June 11. Whitehall. Appointment of George Barrett to be town-major of Kingston-upon-Hull. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 53.]

June 11. Whitehall. Warrant to arrest any suspicious persons found lurking in the neighbourhood of Lee, in Kent. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 360.]

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June 11. Whitehall. Warrant for conveying from St. James's Park to Wellingborough, thirty long carbines, one hundred grenado shells, thirty cases of pistols, twenty-four bayonets, six swords, half a barrel of powder, and half a barrel of bullets, with pouches, belts, and other appurtenances, for the use of the third troop of horse guards, commanded by the Earl of Marlborough. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 361.]

June 11. Whitehall. Warrant to John Stephens, messenger, to arrest Sir Adam Blaire and Doctor Grey on suspicion and treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 362.]

June 11. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission of the office of clerk "of the navall or navy," in the Island of Barbadoes, to Archibald Carmichael, esq. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 370.]

June 11. The like for a similar commission for Jamaica, to Mr. Wilson. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 371.]

June 11. Whitehall. Warrant for a pension of 100*l.* a year to Mary Aylmer, widow of Captain George Aylmer, slain in the late engagement at sea with the French. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 85.]

June 11. Whitehall. Warrant to protect the game in and about Woodhouse, in the county of York. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 86.]

June 11. Whitehall. Warrant for the payment to Christopher Tancred, master of the harriers, of 300*l.* a year, in addition to his salary of 500*l.* in lieu of all perquisites, and for the wages of two horse-huntsmen and one foot-huntsman. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 88.]

June 12. Berwick. Colonel Rupert Billengsley to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. In the packet that came hither on Monday last from London, I found the enclosed. I therefore sent a party of dragoons to seize Sir Thomas Haggerston, and have him now in custody. I also seized four coach-horses of his. If you think fit to desire his Majesty to give them to me I shall esteem it a favour. "Sir Thomas' bigoted zeal to the catholic cause is so well known that I need give no character of him." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 73.]

June 12. Chester Castle. Sir John Morgan to the Earl of Shrewsbury. The gentlemen of this country assert that they send me the late King's proclamation as soon as they receive it, without reading more than the title. I am seizing all copies of it that can be found, and trying to find out the disperser of them. We are in very ill condition for want of arms, powder, &c., as to which I have written to the Duke of Schomberg. Almost every week, vessels come from Ireland to Hoylake, Neston, Mostyn, or Liverpool, and return unmolested. Lord Meath's regiment is now moving that way, and I hope more care will be taken. *Seal of arms.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 74.]

June 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires Robert Foley, esq., of Stourbridge, to be a justice of the peace for Worcestershire. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 97.]

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June 12. Hampton Court. Warrant for a Commission to examine into matters alleged against Dr. Saumares. *Similar to that of 29th May last.* [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 363.]

June 12. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission for prizes to Sir Thomas Littleton, bart., Sir Edward Ayscough, Sir Roger Langley, bart., Benjamin Overton, John Parkhurst, John Carpenter, and Charles Dering, esquires. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 364.]

June 12. Whitehall. Passes for Neellie Ariaens and Mantie Gerts, two poor Dutchmen, to go to Holland; for Mr. Morray, Mr. Wharrey, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Abercrombie, and Mr. Weston, officers in the Scots' regiment of foot guards, to go to Scotland; and for Jean de Gennes to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 362.]

June 13. Lancaster. Thomas Shevson, mayor of Lancaster, Thomas Cole and John Hodgson to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Upon the 15th of last month, as Mr. Foster, the collector of customs here informs us, a vessel belonging to this place, of about 40 tons, called the *Lyon of Lancaster*, John Cawson, owner, departed without giving notice at the Custom-House; and suspecting she might be gone for Ireland the officers waited her return. This morning she arrived in the river, and the collector going on board seized several packets of letters and papers, which we, finding to be of very dangerous consequence, have sent by an express to your lordship to be communicated to his Majesty. Before the vessel came to an anchor two men went off the vessel in a boat, and made their escape, but pursuit has been made after them, and it is hoped they will be apprehended. We send herewith the examinations of the seamen. *Seals of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 75.]

June 13. Newcastle. Lieut.-Col. Charles Fitzwilliam to the same. The commissioners ordered me to transmit the prisoners Coxwell, Harrison, and Kellingbanke, a priest, to the civil power. According to your command, Coxwell has been discharged. It would be a piece of charity and justice to release Harrison, a poor harmless fellow, I believe. I have seized two persons, Albert Hutchins, a papist, and Robert Tedismor, on suspicion of spreading King James' declaration. *Seal broken.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 76.]

June 13. Chester. Lieut. William Underhill to the same. "I was amazed at being suspected to be for King James' interest, since I dare call God to witness my heart and affection are as much against that way as any man's. I have been a commissioned officer for ten years past under this present King, and never was found unfaithfull; and I desire not to live longer than whilst I can prove myself honourable and just to King William. If your lordship will tell me the informer, I may right myself further." [*Ibid.*, No. 77.]

June 13. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. There having been a petition presented to us, subscribed by several hundreds of the burgesses and inhabitants of our city of Glasgow, representing that there being an Act of the Meeting of the Estates appointing a new election of the magistrates and town council of all the royal boroughs of our ancient kingdom of Scotland, and that conformably to the

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same, many of the said boroughs have had days assigned them for electing their magistrates and council, and that as yet there has been no day assigned to our said city of Glasgow, for the choosing of their magistrates and council, and being well satisfied with the good service done to us, and our ancient kingdom, by the inhabitants and burgesses of our said city of Glasgow, and considering how necessary it is, at this juncture, that men of known integrity and honesty should be employed as magistrates and town councillors of the said city—therefore we do authorise and require you to take such methods as you shall judge proper for procuring for our said city of Glasgow the benefit of the above Act of the Meeting, and that conformably to the same, some day, before the 10th of July next, may be assigned to them for electing their magistrates and town council. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 32.]

June 13. The camp before Londonderry. Mons. Pointis to [the King of France?]. At length, in spite of the dearth there is here of every thing, I have finished the stockade which I had the honour to mention to you in my last letter, of the 6th of this month, that I was going to undertake. Describes its construction: beams, joined one to the other by [iron] bands; each end of a beam is attached to the side of that one to which it is joined by two iron hooks, and I have run a rope along the length of the boom, from five to six inches thick, which is attached to the said beams by the iron hooks it passes. Care has been taken that the rope is attached to that part of the beams in the water, so as to take away the facility of cutting it. All this will make it very difficult to destroy. Shelter for our troops has been erected at either end of the stockade, from which they can easily attack those put to destroy it. You know well, sir, with what difficulty one works on that which is under water, yet to put everyone at ease, I have to make another boom a little above this first, where I shall observe the same means, and I hope it will be made shortly; with that, all will admit that we are in safety; for myself, I hold that we are so already, and shall not be happy until the English [*i.e.*, William III.'s troops] are foolish enough to attempt this undertaking [to attack to the stockades], for then I shall have the pleasure of defeating them, for as they must come when the wind is behind them, or nearly so, when they reach the boom, return will be impossible, and they must remain under fire, for their force will not be strong enough for them to attempt to land, and they will perish under fire.

This work, which I have been obliged to carry out myself, has given me a relapse, my illness has seized me again, and my exertions have caused the splints (?) to become detached and I am no more able to move, except with extreme difficulty. This has hindered the completion of my plans. [*Then follows a considerable amount of cipher, which is deciphered in Dr. John Wallis's letter to the Earl of Nottingham of the* 10*th of August, q.v.*] The troops of the King of England [*i.e.* King James] which were in two divisions, one quartered about three miles from the town, and the other half a mile from it, have joined on a height which is only about a musket shot and a half from the town, and it is from there they intend to commence the attack. The besieged, the day before yesterday, when this junction was made, sallied out three times, but were each time

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repulsed with loss on their side. We have just received confirmation of the news that the English troops have embarked to come and help this place by the river, and so we shall redouble our attention towards the stockades. [*S.P., Ireland,* 352, *No.* 4.]

June 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires to know if you have had any returns of the names of those put into the commission of peace, who have taken the oath, as also whether you have had an account that any of them have either refused to take the oath or declined to act; therefore, if you are not already prepared to satisfy the King in these particulars, do it with all despatch, and if possible, before the judges go on circuit, and an immediate account is desired unto whose hands the several commissions of the peace for each county were delivered. I send you a list of persons presented to his Majesty, by Lord Lucas, to be in commission of the peace for the liberty and precincts of the Tower. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 98.]

June 13. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Gibson, or the chief officer at Portsmouth. Having received the enclosed certificate on behalf of Jaques Morais, a prisoner in that garrison, if you have nothing to charge him with, nor any informations against him, you should set him at liberty and order his trunk and things to be restored, providing they are such as he may be allowed to bring into the kingdom. [*Ibid., p.* 99.]

June 13. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Roscommon. The King commands that you come forthwith to London to receive directions from his Majesty in relation to the service. [*Ibid.*]

June 13. Whitehall. The same to the Committee for Trade and Plantations. His Majesty has appointed Hender Molesworth, esq., to be captain-general and governor of Jamaica, and would have you give orders for preparing his despatches. [*Ibid., pp.* 100 *&* 102.]

June 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Edmund Jennings, knt., to be one of the surveyors-general of customs, in consideration of his service to the King and constancy to protestantism. The King being satisfied as to his loyalty and religion, refers the petition to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 102.]

June 13. Warrant to search the lodgings of Nathaniel Hooke, and to secure everything found therein. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 372.]

June 13. Warrant for grant of the office of gamekeeper round about Newmarket to Sir John Cotton, bart. [*Ibid.*]

June 13. Warrant for Sir James Littleton bart, Sir Edward Ascough, Sir Roger Langley, bart., Benjamin Overton, John Parkhurst, John Carpenter and Charles Dering to be Commissioners of Prizes. [*Ibid., p.* 380.]

June 13. Whitehall. A warrant for Christopher Tancred to be gamekeeper of Newmarket and twelve miles round, in the counties of Suffolk and Cambridge. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 89.]

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June 13. Whitehall. Warrant for continuing Abraham Yarner, obliged to flee from Ireland with other protestants, in the office of muster master-general in Ireland, granted to him for life by Charles II. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 94, *p.* 90.]

June 13. Whitehall. Warrant for the presentation of John Tyndall to the rectory of St. Ives in the county of Cornwall, void by the translation of Jonathan, Bishop of Bristol and late incumbent of the said rectory, to the see of Exeter. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 91.]

June 13. Whitehall. Passes for Lieut. Armstrong to go to Scotland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 360.]; and for John Flood, a soldier in Sir George St George's regiment, to go to Chester and to return. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 362.]

June 14. Beaumaris. William Lewis, collector of customs at Beaumaris, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. By your lordship's letter of 16th March last it was ordered that all Irish papists that should be found making their escape into Ireland, should be apprehended, and that such as had been officers in the late King's army, should be allowed half the pay they had when in command. I have paid this to Capt. Matthew Bellew who was a captain of grenadiers, and to Capt. Charles Slingesby, who was agent and adjutant to Col. Butler, both of whom were seized by Mr. Blennerhassett. I pray that the sums paid may be reimbursed to me. *Seal of arms* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 78.]

June 14. Plymouth. Col. Henry Trelawny to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I have thought it my duty to acquaint your lordship that I have seized fifteen of the late King James' declarations, which were sent to most of the gentlemen of Cornwall, and some to the inhabitants of Plymouth. At first, I thought they had been directed only to them that were disaffected to the Government, but I find several which I am confident are directed to gentlemen that are very loyal to their present Majesties. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 79.]

June 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Leveson. Having received your account of the arrest of Mr. Hooke, which may prove of great use, I have sent this messenger to bring him up. You will appoint two dragoons, with a corporal, to attend him as far as St. Albans, from whence he shall be conducted by some of the Dutch troops. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 99.]

June 14. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Blathwait. His Majesty desires that all books, papers, &c. relating to prize ships, during both the last Dutch wars, and delivered by Sir Robert Southwell into your custody, be delivered to the principal commissioners of prizes that they may have recourse to them during the present war. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 100.]

June 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the reformed officers, praying the payment of arrears of the pension granted to them by Charles II. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 103.]

June 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir William Ruthven bart. He followed Charles II. to "Warster," as captain of horse, and was "wound there," and detained prisoner, and his estate in Scotland

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was sequestered. Is now out of employment and reduced to a very low condition. Referred to the Treasury. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 104.]

June 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Spencer, gent, praying a grant of the office of registrar in the Archbishop's court at York. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*Ibid.*, *p* 111.]

June 14. Whitehall. Warrant to search houses for concealed plate and goods belonging to the late King. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 369.]

June 14. Whitehall. Further warrant to apprehend Nathaniel Hooke, clerk suspected of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 373.]

June 14. Passes or post-warrants for Sir William Strickland, knt., and Thomas Strickland, his son, James Parker, Richard Jackson and Ann Layfield, his servants, to go into France and to return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 368]; for Mr. Gee and Mr. Mountain to go to Hull [*Ibid.*, *p.* 369]; for Stephen Higgins, soldier in Col. Talmash's regiment, to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 370]; for Mr. Cornelius Torrenteen and Jane his wife, Francis Torrenteen, and Margaret his wife to go to Flanders and to return [*Ibid.*, *p.* 373]; and for Roderick Mackenzie, agent to Sir Thomas Gower's regiment, and Ensign Orfour to go to Leeds, Wakefield and York. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 374.]

June 15. Preston. Col. Edward Mathews to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. The complaint against the dragoons was made by malicious people, but never proved, or else I should have punished the offenders. I assure your lordship I never sent out a party without the justice of the peace's warrant and special entreaty. I refer myself to Lord Brandon, who I am to obey here. The papists were so high, and threatened the country with King James' landing, which I believe by all circumstances they very confidently expect, but Lord Brandon's coming with arms and ammunition, and calling out the militia makes them not so brisk, though they are still very confident of King James coming. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 80.]

June 15. Preston. Lord Brandon to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I hope your lordship is now satisfied with the truth of what I write to my father relating to the present design of invasion. This country is much alarmed upon the taking of these packets of commissions which are sent to your lordship, the particulars whereof I desire an account of, that I may take my measures accordingly. I have thought to secure all the considerable papists in the county, till I hear further. I am now raising the militia and arming what protestants I can till supplies of disciplined troops come to our assistance, for which I have written to the general. I have taken several horses which will serve for dragoons and I have officers here with me that are fit to command. The places where the Irish are most likely to land are Liverpool, the Ribble, Wyre, Cockersand Abbey, the Lune and Pile of Foudry, all upon this coast. The information relating to Col. Mathews is very malicious and raised by those who would discourage all persons from being vigourous in the protestant interest. I can trust no one in command here with any matter of secresy

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but him and Capt. Brewerton [Brereton]. If the Mayor of Lancaster and others had been as vigorous as they ought, the two persons who made their escape would have been easily taken; however I am making search through the country for them. I desire your lordship will not give ear to information from busy persons such as Sir Robert Cotton. I have just now an account that all the young gentlemen amongst the papists have absented themselves, and only the old men are to be found. I fear this design is laid so deep that all the care and conduct imaginable will not prevent a great deal of mischief. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 81.]

June 15. Chester. Sir John Morgan to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I intercepted a letter from Major Mathews, a prisoner in the castle, which I enclose. I have had some reason to confine the prisoners more closely than formerly; I suppose they may complain, but I hope your lordship will believe I have cause for it. I wrote formerly that I thought it would be absolutely necessary to have a small yacht to sail about to seize the Irish boats that pass to and from Ireland with intelligence. Lord Meath's regiment has gone to Holywell, St. Asaph, and the villages thereabouts, and this day I have ordered two companies of Lord Drogheda's regiment, the one to Liverpool and the other to Neston, and adjacent villages, with instructions to search all ships or boats, and if they find any [persons] carrying intelligence, to send them to this castle. I beg leave to come to London to settle some business of my own. *Seal of arms broken.* [*Ibid., p.* 82.]

June 15. Chester. The Earl of Meath to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I am told that a captain that was named to be in my regiment, by name Chittister [Chichester?] Phillips, is provided for more to his satisfaction. I know my major, Frederick Hamilton, will use his interest for his brother George to get a commission for Phillips' company: he never served in the army that I can learn, and there is here Mr John Culliford who brought a commission to be in my regiment, but was passed over in order to receive the Bandon [Brandon?] officers; he has served in Tangier and other places and I recommend him to be captain in the room of Phillips.

Postscript. Just now my major has brought new commissions and I have not been consulted in it. He has obtained one for his brother to be captain in the place of Captain Ambrose Edgworth, which commission I desire may be superseded by one for Captain John Culliford. *Seal of arms broken.* [*Ibid., No.* 83.]

June 15. Nantwich. Sir George St. George to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Mr. Hill, who you will find mentioned in the enclosed letter from Major-General Kirke, had gone to the Isle of Man for recruits, but on his return I suspended him from his duties till the King's pleasure be known. I confess I was surprised to find him under any suspicion. I have known him for some years and he has passed as a staunch good protestant. *Seal of Arms.* [*Ibid., No.* 84.]

June 15. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray of Saltcoats and James Oswald of Fingaltown, receiver of his Majesty's rents in Scotland, ordering the payment of 2,500*l.* to the Duke of Hamilton for the charge of his

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equipage as his Majesty's high commissioner. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 33.]

June 15. Whitehall. Like warrant ordering the payment of a daily allowance of 50*l.* to the lord high commissioner during the continuance of his commission. [*Ibid.* 4, *p.* 34.]

June 15. Whitehall. A list of the persons whose names are to be inserted in the commission which is to be granted by us to the ordinary lords and senators of our college of justice in our ancient kingdom of Scotland: —Sir James Dalrymple of Stair, Sir Alexander Seaton of Pitmedin, Sir Roger Hogg, of Harcarse, ——— Wauchop, of Edmonstoun, Mr. Alexander Swintoun, of Mersingtoun, Sir Colin Campbell of Aberuchell, James Murray of Philiphaugh, ——— Dundee, of Arinstoun, Mr. John Hamilton, of Halraig, Mr. David Home, of Crosrigg; the said Sir James Dalrymple of Stair is to be inserted in our said commission as constant president in the absence of a chancellor. [*Ibid., p.* 35.]

June 15. Whitehall. The King to Mdlle. Pain. We are informed that a young child of the Marquis de Crus ["Le Crus" in margin] was committed to your care by the mother, when she left England; in consequence of some representations made to us, we direct you not to send, or allow to be sent, that child out of England without our leave. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 375.]

June 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Governor of Chester. Lord Forbes desiring the liberty of his servant John Sutter, a young man who was taken with him, and who is now a prisoner at Chester, as he requires his service in the Tower, his Majesty is pleased to gratify him in this, and therefore he is to be discharged and permitted to come to London. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 100.]

June 15. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Joseph Leach. John Sutter mentioned in the foregoing letter desires he may bring with him to London his "portmantle," and what other things he left at Warrington. I write this that you may not hesitate in delivering those things to him that belong to Lord Forbes. [*Ibid., p.* 101.]

June 15. The same to Mayor of Dover. Mons. Calimote, commanding a French regiment in the King's service, has represented that there is now a prisoner in Dover, one Peter Le Cru, who had been compelled to change his religion in France and was then forced to go to sea, where he was taken, but who now having an opportunity to declare himself, desires to be received into the church in which he was educated, and to serve the King under Mons. Calimote's command, who therefore presses that he may have leave to do it, and not be sent back to France, by way of exchange; his Majesty consents to this and directs you to deliver the said Le Cru into the hands of such officers of the regiment as the colonel shall order to receive him. [*Ibid.*]

June 15. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. His Majesty commands that the Earl of Bath should be *Custos Rotulorum* of the counties of Devon and Cornwall, whereof he is lord lieutenant. [*Ibid.*]

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June 15. Whitehall. The same to the same. His Majesty commands that Higon James, esq., may be a justice of the peace for Worcestershire. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 102.]

June 15. Order that no papist presume to enter the Lobby, Painted Chamber, Court of Requests, or Westminster Hall, during the present session of Parliament. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 31.]

June 15. Whitehall. Licence for Sir William Boughton, high sheriff of Warwickshire, to live out of the said county during his term of office. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 15.]

June 15. Whitehall. Commission to Pierre St. Sebastian to be a lieutenant colonel of horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *pp.* 9 *and* 10.]

June 15. Passes for Jan Vill and Dorch Van Seeward, two of the Queen's footmen to pass to Holland and return; for Jan Wysman, Dutchman, ditto; for Mons. de Scravenmoer, quartermaster-general, to go to Chester [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 374]; for Peter Grenon, Peter Ruth, and Katherine Musheron to go to Holland; for Elizabeth Russell, Mary La Criniere and Elizabeth de Marragh, and six children to go to Newcastle; for Peter Raep and Anthony Raep to go to Holland; for Sir George Mackenzie to come from Scotland with his baggage; and for Mr. Thomas Crawford and Mr. Patrick Jordan to go to Edinburgh. [*Ibid., p.* 375.]

June 16. Lord Fitzhardinge to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I had hoped to have had the King's approbation of my list, till hearing from Sir Henry Capell that it had not been presented. Ill health has prevented me from presenting it myself to the King. I have not sent your lordship any list of the officers of the militia, because, as the Act now stands it is very hard to get gentlemen to serve. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 85.]

June 16. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Francis de Mese, a Portuguese, praying restoration of the cargo of the *Revenge*, taken in the river Plata, of which he was owner. Referred to the High Court of Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 105.]

June 16. Pass to Mr. Maccarty, Mr. Smith, Mr. Brown, and two servants to go to Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 375.]

June 17. Penrith. Lord Lumley to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. Your lordship's letter, with the information, came to me at Newcastle, and I have taken care to have the matter examined. Carr, that was informed against, was out of the town when we passed through it. The commission of the peace and the lieutenancy are now settled in the best hands I can find, though I wish the country afforded more choice. All the horses belonging to papists were seized before my coming, by the officers of the army, and, though it was irregular, it was so absolutely necessary that it ought to be excused. There is a gentleman in Northumberland called Charlton, at whose house most of the meetings of papists have been held, and it has been the retreat for all those that came out of other places, Mr. Turner was seized at his house. It would be much for the King's service

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if he were sent for by a messenger. The enclosed, which he wrote to the late postmaster at Newcastle, will I suppose be sufficient ground for securing him. The postmaster has been committed for spreading the late libels of which numbers have been sent to all sorts of persons. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 86.]

June 17. The Camp before Londonderry. Mons. Pointis to [the king of France]. Gives a long and very detailed account of the position of Londonderry, and the river leading to it, and of the position of the forces both of the besieged and the besiegers. The former have increased the space they have to defend by taking in the windmill. The town is weaker on the side of the windmill. Since the junction of our forces, they are posted on a height immediately opposite to the town, so that the cannon are exactly opposite to those of the besieged. Some of our officers prayed me to induce Mr. Hamilton to attack the windmill, and become master of it, but I was careful not to recommend anything about which I was not certain.

The sortie, made by the enemy on the day before I was wounded, interrupted the examination of the place, we had commenced to make. The Sieur D'Aungis (?), the French engineer, was, at first, of the same opinion, [in favour of attacking the windmill ?] but has since changed. Refers to enlarging the stockade and to the condition of his own health, which precludes him from doing all he wishes to do. The enemy holding the windmill is really advantageous to us, as it occupies their troops. The making of a second stockade is in hand. Part of the letter is undeciphered. [*S.P. Dom., Ireland* 352, *No.* 5.]

June 17. Hampton Court. Warrant for the royal assent to the election of Humphrey Humphreys, D.D. as bishop of Bangor. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 14.]

June 17. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission, appointing Sir James Dalrymple and others [*as in S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 35] to be the lords and senators of the College of Justice; and the said Sir James Dalrymple to be constant president in the absence of a chancellor. [*S.P. Dom., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 36.]

June 17. Hampton Court. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Lancaster. I have received your letter, sent by Mr. Gording, and the two packets, with which I have acquainted his Majesty. He approves of the care taken by you and "the collector of that place" to apprehend those that come upon such desperate errands, and it is hoped that you may recover the two persons, who seem principally concerned. I have given Mr. Gording for his charges in his journey here and to return, 20 guineas, out of which I have desired the collector may be reimbursed the 10 guineas he advanced on this account. I need not remind you and the other justices of the borough, that seeing the enemies of the Government are so active to disturb it, those intrusted with the preservation of the peace should be the more vigilant to defeat this "implacable malice;" you have already shown that you are watchful. Energy is most requisite in your parts "as it is from thence they hope to spread their intelligence to and fro, besides the numbers there are of their religion which they seem to rely

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upon in your county and neighbourhood." [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 103.]

June 17. Whitehall. The same to John Wildman, esq. There being recruits to be sent into Holland, his Majesty's pleasure is, that they be received on board the packet, without payment for their passage, provided they produce a certificate from their officers of their being enlisted. [*Ibid., p.* 104.]

June 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Reginald Tucker, gentleman, praying for a writ of error to reverse his attainder for high treason. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 105.]

June 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Thomas Pilkington, knt., executor of Samuel Suite late of London, heir of Henry Cornish, esq., Slingsby Bethell, executor of the executrix of Sir Thomas Player, knt., Samuel Siomock, John Jeakell, John Deagle, Robert Key, Richard Freeman, John Wickham of London and the executrix of Francis Jenks, late of London, praying for a writ of error to reverse a judgment against them, upon an information of misdemeanour. Granted. [*Ibid.*]

June 17. Passes for Fenedit [Benedict ?] Gale to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 368]; for Adam Becius, "with his necessaries," to go to Holland; for Lieut. Andrew Monro, Captain Charles Barclay, Captain Bruce, Captain Makenzie, Captain Sterling, Captain Maxwell, Captain Hume, Ensign Cooley, and Ensign Hamilton, officers of the Scots' regiment, to go to Scotland; for Mary Hancy, and Mary Doublet and two children to go to Italy; for Jaques Decourt and Elizabeth Decourt, his daughter, to go to Holland; and for Nathaniel Guenaud and two children, ditto. [*Ibid., p.* 374.]

June 17–22. Relation of events, happening during the siege of Kaiserworth, with a more detailed account of proceedings on the last day of the siege. Amongst the officers engaged, were Count de Schomberg and Count Charles de Schomberg. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, No. 37.]

June 18. Dover. Extract from a letter of William Stokes, mayor of Dover, to Thomas Papillon. Notwithstanding the evil designs of our enemies the French, we still remain defenceless having no militia settled in the ports, or country adjacent, and but one or two men in each fort at night, and no guns or ammunition at the platforms in town; all which, we fear, is a great invitation to the enemy to come and burn us in a night, and land, and go off in the flat-bottomed boats, which, we are informed, they are building for that purpose. Though we hear something has been moved in Parliament to settle the militia, yet I conceive that it would be safe to have it on the old foundation till further order. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 87.]

June 18. Whitehall. The King to Robert Willoughby chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. Whereas we think fit that no grants of lands, parcel of the Duchy, be passed under the seal, till the high treasurer and Commissioners of the Treasury have been acquainted therewith, we command you, at all times, to transmit to our said Commissioners

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notification of every grant about to be passed, to be signed by them, before such grant be passed under seal. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 24.]

June 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King desires that Timothy Deacon of Peterborough and ——— Clark, of Dorthop, esqs., be justices of the peace for Northamptonshire and the city and liberties of Peterborough. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*), 1 *p.* 102.]

June 18. Whitehall. The same to Lieutenant-Colonel Bubb, at Carlisle. Mr. Griffin May, and some others now prisoners at Carlisle, have applied that—as several of them are confined in one narrow room—they may have some enlargement. You are therefore to allow such to Mr. Way (*sic*) within the city, as is necessary for his health and consistent with his being a prisoner. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 104.]

June 18. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Lanier. Your letter of the 14th was very acceptable to his Majesty who doubts not of your continuing to further his service. I have done all that is right to Major Summerell with his Majesty, as I will to those officers you report so favourably of, when you send me their names. [*Ibid.*]

June 18. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. His Majesty is assured of your keeping a strict eye upon the coasts, if you know any boat in "those parts" that may be convenient to ply up and down, upon notice from you, I will propose it to the Lords of the Admiralty. Mons. de Scravenmoer is with you ere this and the Duke of Schomberg intends to be very speedily. For that and other reasons, it is requisite that you do not leave. "If the company your predecessor had be not regimented, nor otherwise disposed of, I shall be ready to move the King for you." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 105.]

June 18. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Meath. I would be glad to have the original order, pretended to be from me, for the searching of Captain Underhill, that I may try to discover the cheat. I have your letter of the 15th inst., but know not how to supersede those commissions. his Majesty has thought fit to sign for the vacancies in your regiment, but shall for my own part be ready to propose only those you name. "I need not tell you how serviceable it is to the King that such of your regiments as are quartered upon the coasts be diligent in the seizure of those small boats that put in thither and carry on correspondence between Ireland and some disaffected persons in this Kingdom." [*Ibid.*]

June 18. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Williams or the Commander-in-Chief at Workington. It is complained that some dragoons, quartered in Mr. Curwen's house at Workington, have committed several disorders thereabouts. You are to send me a true account of these matters that the same may be laid before the King and compared with what they are charged with to the great disparagement of the service. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 106.]

June 18. Whitehall. The same to the mayor and Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth You are to permit Don Juan de Horo, a Spaniard who was brought in by Captain St. Loo, to embark for Spain, Flanders, or Holland

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on the first opportunity, the Spanish Ambassador claiming him as his master's servant; or, if none offers, should he desire it, you are to permit him to come here. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 106.]

June 18. Hampton Court. Appointment for Francis Hammon[d] to be lieutenant-governor of Landguard Fort, whereof Henry Killigrew is governor. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 2, *p.* 55.

June 18. Hampton Court. Warrant for a pardon to Robert Wolseley, esq., for killing William Wharton, esq. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 376.]

June 18. Warrant to apprehend Edmund Ryley, an Irish papist, on suspicion of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

June 18. Hampton Court. Licence to the Rev. Joseph Wilkinson, prebendary of St. Patrick's, Dublin, son-in-law to George Walker, commander of Londonderry, to engrave on copper the picture of Mr. Walker, and to restrain all others from publishing it. [*Ibid., p.* 377.]

June 18. Passes for Mr. Adrian Verwey, to go to Holland; for Captain John Bigg, to go on his Majesty's service, to Huntingdon; for Mr. Henry Wilkinson, to go to Forcett in Yorkshire [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 276]; for Ot[to]. Dirkess and Gervert Aryaens, two Dutch seamen, to go to Holland; and for Joseph Rivers to go to Holland. [*Ibid.* 25, *p.* 91.]

June 19. The Earl of Sussex to Dr. Owen Wynne. I desire you to move my Lord Shrewsbury for a pass for Thomas Mohun, my wife's servant, to pass to her in France. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 88.]

June 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the lord mayor of London. His Majesty having something important to communicate to you and the city, desires you to summon a common council for this afternoon. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 106.]

June 19. Whitehall. Letter of recommendation, by the King for William Bowles as a scholar for the next election at Winchester School. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 15.]

June 19. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Harrys, which sets out his service in the Prince of Denmark's regiment and states that, by disbanding the regiment, he, his wife and six children are without support. Prays to be a customer or comptroller in the port of Lynn Regis. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 43.]

June 19. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Church of Ewelme ("New Elim") Oxfordshire, praying to be admitted to the hospital there. The Clerk of the Signet is directed to prepare a bill for granting the petitioner a "hospitalman's place" in the said hospital. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 106.]

June 19. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Griffin, who had discovered a plot, and is now sick and poor, for a tideman's place in the Custom House. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

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June 19. Hampton Court. Warrant to Thomas Neale ("Neadle") "master and worker of our Mint," directing him to impress on silver coins; viz., the 5*s.* piece, 2*s.* 6*d.* piece, the 2*s* piece and the 6*d.* piece the royal arms, marshalled, as is depicted in a draught prepared by Henry, Duke of Norfolk, earl-marshal. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 377.]

June 19. Whitehall. Licence to Mr. Nicholas Taylor, sheriff of Radnorshire, to live out of the county during his term of office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 378.]

June 19. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Chesterfield and Sir William Stanhop, ranger of the chase of Thorny Woods, to protect the game in that chase [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 92.]

June 19. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Richard Kemble, of Pembridge in the county of Hereford, accused of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

June 19. Passes for Isaac la Fontaine, servant to the Danish envoy, to go to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 374]; for Mr. George Philips, and one servant, to go to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 376]; for Mr. Nelson, and Sir Berkeley Lucy, to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 379]; and for Lewis Testefolle, Isaac Johnsern, Nicholas Vanhorn, and Suzanna Rozier to go to Holland, recommended by Mr. Le Cordier, French merchant. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 93.]

June 20. Denbigh. The Earl of Meath to the Earl of Shrewsbury. There was a wherry that landed, on the 18th instant, Richard Shuttleworth, who was apprehended and sent here the next day. I have examined him and the boat's crew severely, and find that Shuttleworth had a red portmanteau, which, when he suspected it to be seized, he threw into some rushes; upon searching for it, I find it fell into the hands of one Mr. Thomas Carter, who, finding it to contain many papers, commissions, and two little books which serve as keys to the papers, sent them, by his servant, to the King. I am taking horse to St. Asaph, where I am told I shall discover more of this sort. I have sent a strong party, some mounted and some on foot, to search three houses near the sea belonging to papists, where I am informed several Irish have been sheltered till they got passages for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 89.]

June 20. The Duke of St. Albans to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. The bearer, George Rivers, is a gentleman of my horse, and married to a protestant, Englishwoman, now in France. He is desirous to go and bring her to England, if your Lordship will give him a pass. [*Ibid.*, No. 90.]

June 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Brandon. As soon as I receive the papers—those intercepted—from the House of Commons, and common council of London, to whom his Majesty imparted them, I shall send you the names of the persons mentioned therein. In the meantime, what you did in securing some considerable papists "in that county," is agreeable to what the Commons voted yesterday. You will receive his Majesty's directions speedily about the horses that have been seized; whatever informations shall be given to me, relating to that county, shall be transmitted to your lordship before the same is laid

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before the King, and I send you now the copy of one handed to me that you may examine the truth thereof and do as you deem necessary. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 107.]

June 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lieut.-Col. Matthews. When further complaint is made against your dragoons, you shall be acquainted with it, before the same be laid before the King: in the meantime, it will be much for his service that no further grounds of clamour be given, by keeping the men in good order and discipline. [*Ibid. and Ibid.*, *p.* 108.]

June 20. Whitehall. The same to the Attorney-General. Several horses having been seized by virtue of the late Act for disarming papists, and his Majesty, designing to make use of them in his service, I desire you would send me the draft of such a warrant as may be signed by his Majesty for the conversion of those horses for the use aforesaid. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 108.]

June 20. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Drogheda. I send you the copy of a letter received "that you may examine the contents and truth thereof," I doubt not but you will remedy, as far as you can, what has been done, "beyond what is warrantable by law." [*Ibid.*]

June 20. Whitehall. The same to the mayor of Bristol. I have laid your letter of the 1st before his Majesty in Council: he directs that you, and the brethren send up, with speed, a more particular account of the reason that hinders the calling of a common council, as the charter directs, together with what yourself, and they, can propose in order thereto, that Mr. Attorney-General may consider thereof. As for the Irish prisoners, I have no other directions than those already sent you, and they are to be allowed sustenance accordingly. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 109.]

June 20. Council Chamber. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Henley. By order of the Lords of the Council. I write to you to inquire what quantity of casks, fit for beer and water, and what sorts, may be got at Bristol in fourteen days, and at what rates; give me an account thereof with all speed. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 28.]

June 20. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to the Earl of Leven to be colonel of a regiment of foot. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 37.]

June 20. Whitehall. Warrant for commission to William Arrot to be lieutenant colonel in the Earl of Leven's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 38.]

June 20. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Peregrine Osborne, commonly called Earl of Danby, on suspicion of high treason. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 94.]

June 20. Whitehall. Passes for David Baudry, and David Lexpert, to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 376]; for Mr. Robert Plunket to go to Flanders; for Thomas Mohun, page to the Countess of Sussex, to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 379]; and for Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. William Melligan, and James Dudgeon, to go to Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 380].

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June 21. Treasury Chambers. Order by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury for the allowance of 2*s. per diem* to Benjamin Coleing and Nathaniel Cox, keepers of the Council Chamber. With report by Mr. Blathwait upon the same. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 91.]

June 21. Whitehall. Reference, to the Commissioners of the Admiralty, of the petition of Cosmus de Lue, a Spaniard, of the coasts of Biscay, for satisfaction for the taking of his ship, bound to Bristol, by Captain Greenfield, commander of the *Advice* frigate, who asserted the petitioner was a Frenchman. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 4, *& S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 107.]

June 21. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Breedon praying to be admitted to the first vacancy in Warwick Hospital. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 107.]

June 21. Proceedings upon the Coalheavers' petition praying that "in consideration of their great number and that many of them are, through their great labour, disabled, and the rest, most commonly unemployed"; the King would "erect them an office" to prevent such grievances. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*Ibid.*]

July 21. Hampton Court. Commission for Thomas Lawrence to be physician-general to the army in Ireland. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 56.]

June 21. Hampton Court. Warrant for commission to James, Earl of Angus, to be colonel of foot. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 39.]

June 21. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to Archibald, Earl of Argyll to be colonel of foot. [*Ibid., p.* 40.]

June 21. Passes or post-warrants for Lord Blaney to go to Chester or Warrington; for William Wallace, his servant, to travel from Warrington to Chester, and thence to London [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 379]; for Abondio Razonico "nobile Veneto," Ludwico Fuga, Giovanni Caro and Francisco Tazza to go to France [*Ibid., p.* 380]; for Mr. Simon Savory, and one servant, to go to Flanders; for Catherine Blanders to go to Holland; and for John Field, Charles Cary, Bartholomew Ulart, and James Bowart, to go to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 380.]

June 22. Chester. The Earl of Meath to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Last night I brought to this town the boat's crew, all but one, who I have delivered, with Richard Shuttleworth, into the safe custody of the governor here. Early and late, it shall be my care and duty to have the Welsh coast narrowly and strictly guarded. Looking into the order for searching Lieut. Underhill, I find it is from the Duke of Schomberg; I beg your lordship to acquaint him of the mistake, and how Underhill was searched and nothing found about him or in his lodgings. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 92.]

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June 22. Chester Castle. Sir John Morgan to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I hope the quartering of Lord Meath's regiment, and the letters I have written to most of the gentlemen of the country, have been of great use to his Majesty's service. The portmanteau sent up by Mr. Carter, I suppose may give great light on affairs in Ireland. One Mr. James Vicars has a yacht with eight guns at Neston, which may be useful for his Majesty's service. Sir Joshua Allan will write to Mr. Vicars, who is in London, to wait on your lordship; Mr. Sharde also has at Neston a vessel ready to sail, that carries 12 guns, and waits for a commission to go out as a privateer; yet if he receive orders, I suppose he will serve the King upon these coasts. I have now as many prisoners in the castle, as men to guard them. "Truly my lord, the trust is great and I shall endeavour to discharge it with all diligence imaginable." I hope I may have here two independent companies, or at least one, consisting of a hundred men who may be constantly in the castle; for really there are so many Roman Catholics who thrust themselves into regiments, that if it should happen that some disaffected officer should allot me such a guard, they may easily betray me and set the prisoners at liberty. *Seal.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 93.]

June 22. The Hague. Baron de Lamargelle, canon of Liége to the King. Congratulating him on his glorious advancement to the crown of England and wishing him happiness in the enjoyment thereof. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 38.]

June 22. The Camp at Londonderry. Mons. Pointis to [the King of France]. Describes the English frigates which have come in sight; one came near the small fort of Culmore (?) in order that those in the town might see her; one ship attempting to enter the river ran aground near Culmore. On learning of this, we went thither to attack her. Describes the preparation made, on both sides of the river, for the attack, which it seems came to nought. Our fire took no effect till the French gunners arrived. We then sent nine of the 14 shot fired into the vessel, but she got away. The enemy, we are informed, has a force of four war ships and 26 smaller craft some 30 miles off. Mr. Hamilton no longer believes that the enemy's plan is to attempt to enter the river, and has made me desist from making the second stockade, and to trust wholly to the first. He directs all his attention to the other side on which he believes the English will land and where they will be joined by the country people. Discusses the probable success of an attempt to land there. Refers to his wounds which are attended to by Mons Asmar (?) a French surgeon of some repute. I have just learnt that Mons. Rose will not blockade Enniskillen but will come here with a force of cavalry and infantry. With these we shall be able to undertake something considerable against this place. [*S.P. Dom., Ireland* 352, *No.* 6.]

June 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Bedford. It is His Majesty's pleasure that Col. John Cutts be added to your deputy lieutenants for the county of Cambridge. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 109.]

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June 22 Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Macclesfield. I send you an extract from a letter from Mr. Hopton, chief justice of the North Wales circuit; not knowing whether he be in the new commission of the peace for the county of Hereford, I refer him to you for an answer upon what he writes. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 109.]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Justice Hopton. Stating that his letter has been forwarded to the Earl of Macclesfield. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 110.]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to Col. Williams, or the Commander-in-Chief at Newcastle. I send you a letter, written, it is said, by Mr. Charlton at whose house in Northumberland several disaffected persons are observed to meet; the person to whom it is written is already committed by Lord Lumley, upon another charge. You are to apply to the next justice of the peace for his assistance in examining the said Charlton, when apprehended, concerning the contents of the letter. Send me a copy of his examination. [*Ibid.*]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to Col. Trelawny. I find that the late libels and declarations "are spread there, as well as in other parts of the kingdom." As for the libels, the easiest and safest way is to burn them, and as for the persons to whom they were directed, it were hard and endless to secure them all, as several parcels have been addressed to very honest men; but you may, in your next, send me the names of those to whom they were directed. [*Ibid.*]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to the Lord Mayor of London. Informations are given me that at the "Blew Boar Inne," near, or in, St. Paul's Church Yard, there stand several horses of which no good account is given; amongst the rest, there is a Spanish horse which is offered to be sold, though the others are not. You may think fit to examine the person where they stand and seize the said horses, do or otherwise, as you shall think requisite. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 111.]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to the mayor of Harwich. One Francis Midon has been in custody at Harwich for some time upon suspicion of his being a priest. Mons. Witzen, the Dutch Ambassador, and others are satisfied of the contrary, and therefore you are to dismiss him and permit him to pass beyond seas. [*Ibid.*]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to the Lord Chamberlain. The persons whom I recommend to your favour to be added to the number of messengers already sworn are—Charles Kenge, Anthony de Vex, and Robert Knollis. [*Ibid.*]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is his Majesty's pleasure that Colonel John Cutts be added to the justices of the peace for the county of Cambridge. [*Ibid.*]

June 22. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Lutterell. The King desires me to inform you that he designs your regiment to "forgo" for the West Indies. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 112.]

June 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Thomas Carter, esq., at Kinmel (?) near Denbigh. I desire you will send me, by this messenger, all the papers that were seized with Mr. Richard Shuttleworth, or any others taken in the boat which brought him over. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 29.]

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June 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. John Burrows, merchant, "upon Ratcliffe Hill, in Bristol." The King learning that you have in your hands some letters from Sir Nathaniel Johnson, containing, as there is reason to suspect, matters of importance to his service, would have you send to me all the letters you have from the said Sir Nathaniel; and desires that you likewise transmit to me any letters wherein you believe his Majesty's service is concerned. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 29.]

June 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the Petition of Thomas Comer, gent. He married an orphan, and in her right obtained a decree in Chancery for 2,000*l.*, which sum was ordered, by the court, to be invested at interest. The said sum was lent to Edward and Francis Hollingshed, by approbation of Sir Samuel Clarke, one of the Masters in Chancery. Edward Hollingshed being insolvent, the petitioner exhibited a bill to discover the incumbrances of the said Hollingshed's estate, and thereby did discover a previous mortgage, made by the said Hollingshed's father, to one Alderman Cleave, who devised the same to Marthanna (*sic*) Wilson who did assign the said mortgage to Lord Arundel of Wardour and to Sir Charles Waldegrave, in trust for popish priests. Hereby the petitioner is likely to be defeated of his 2,000*l.* Prays for the grant of a title to the mortgaged land. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 44.]

June 22. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to Henry, Lord Cardross to be colonel or captain of the regiment of dragoons raised by himself [*S.P. Dom., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 41]; for William Milne to be lieutenant-colonel of the same [*Ibid., p.* 42]; and for John Guthrie to be major of the same. [*Ibid. p.* 43.]

June 22. Whitehall. Warrant for *congé d'élire* to the dean and chapter of Chester to choose a bishop in the place of Dr. Thomas Cartwright, deceased, and recommending to them Nicholas Stratford, D.D. and dean of St. Asaph. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 15.]

June 22, Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Richard Shuttleworth, suspected of high treason. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 95.]

June 22. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend William Penn, suspected of high treason [*Ibid., p.* 96.]

June 22. Passes for Mary Protherie to go to Holland; and for Mr. George Rivers and his servant, John Fernback, to go to Dover and thence to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 382.]

June 23. Preston. Lord Brandon to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I am glad the Parliament is taking the measures for securing papists which I thought so necessary. I have already issued my warrants for securing the whole party, and hope by to-morrow night to have a good account of them. I have made discovery of more horses and arms. This country is very unanimous for the King's service, and I think there is not a better militia in England. The papers sent to London from Lancaster were seized by one Mr. Kirby, whom I sent down from London, and hope may be encouraged. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 94.]

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June 23. Ingfield Green. Sir Robert Holmes to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I was given to understand by Mr. Tucker, one of your lordship's servants, that his Majesty would speak with me before the commission for the lieutenant-governor could be signed. I intended to have waited on his Majesty to-day, but am prevented by an attack of gout. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 95.]

June 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is his Majesty's pleasure that Richard Pyott, John Bagnoll, Thomas Pigott, and John Hoo, be added to the justices of the peace for Staffordshire [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 112.]

June 23. Whitehall. The same to the Attorney-General. Asking for a draft warrant for appointing a *Custos Rotulorum*, for his Majesty to sign; it should be drawn according to the Act recently passed. [*Ibid.*]

June 23. Whitehall. Owen Wynne to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The Earl of Shrewsbury is directed by the King to lay before him to-morrow, at Hampton Court, a perfect list of all who have obtained commissions from you for the office of *Custos Rotulorum*, with the dates of their commissions. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 113.]

June 23. Post-warrant for Edward Dummer to go to Mostyn, Chester, Liverpool, or elsewhere. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 96.]

June 24. Workington. Capt. Thomas Pownall to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I am sorry complaint has been made to your lordship that my troop has committed several disorders, but doubt not that the enclosed certificate will satisfy you that I have been very ill used by those who made the complaint. It would be a favour if your lordship would tell me who has made this unjust complaint. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 96.]

Enclosing:—Certificate by Edward Skelton, kinsman of Mr. Curran [*sic, Curwen?*] *William Holme, steward of Workington Hall, John Bolton, rector, and the constables of Workington, of the good behaviour of Capt. Pownall's troop and that the said troop had assisted Mr. Curran's servants to preserve the fishing in the park.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 96 (i).]

June 24. Exeter. James Knight, mayor of Exeter, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. This morning the six companies of the late Sir Robert Peyton's regiment marched from the garrison towards Chester. The masters of the two ships that are bound for Londonderry, laden with wheat, rye, and oats, desire to know what they shall do, they having lain at Starcross a great while. The bread is still at Topsham and it is a pity it is not put to some good use. *Seal.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 97.]

June 24. Maestricht. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. I enclose a journal of the siege of Kaisersworth. I found the Elector of Brandenburg very well disposed, as also Mons. Danckelman, but much incensed against the procedure of the house of Lunenburg in the affair of Denmark; and the Elector threatened to withdraw his troops. General Schoning is envious of Mons Danckelman. The Electress has made herself the head of a party to which Count Mainhart [Schomberg?] belongs. The French intend to trifle with us, and tire us out, having been

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masters at the end of the campaign; and also to insult our country. It is to be hoped Zealand will not conform to the opinion of the other provinces as to raising the 14 companies of cavalry, or the result will be fatal. Not having had any letters from your Majesty since that which my lord Marlborough brought me, and as people talk of numerous promotions, and other arrangements, I hope you will send me the necessary orders on this subject. Mons. d'Amerungnen (?) continues to attack me, and also your Majesty.

Refers to the Governor of Rhinberg, the garrison there, the regiments, the Count of Nassau, Kaiserswerth, Bonn, Frankfort, the Duke of Lorraine, &c. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 39.]

June 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. His Majesty commands you to grant a commission to John How, to be captain of the *Sea Horse*. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 112.]

June 24. Hampton Court. Proclamation for the apprehension of Sir Adam Blair and Robert Grey, doctor of physic, charged with committing high treason by dispersing a treasonable paper entitled "A declaration of King James the Second." [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations* 6, *No.* 32.]

June 24. Hampton Court. Warrant to Charles, Lord Brandon, lord lieutenant of Lancashire and his deputies, directing them how to act with regard to papists' horses now in their custody. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 383.]

June 24. Warrant for a grant of the office of governor of Scilly, and Pendennis Castle, to John, Earl of Bath. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 384.]

June 24. Whitehall. Warrants to apprehend Mr. Allan and Mr. Abbot; Mrs. Margaret Cartmall and Mrs. Edmund Threlfield and Richard Thorp; Tobias Collett, Charles Lawrence, Mr. Symkins, a shoemaker living next door to the "Golden Fleece" in Bridges Street, Nicholas Barnwell Mr. Chant, and Henry Parry, all suspected of high treason. Memorandum that another warrant for apprehending the said Parry was handed to the Bishop of St. Asaph without any direction. [*Ibid.* 35, *pp.* 97 *and* 98.]

June 25. [Chester.] The Earl of Drogheda to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I assure you, my lord, that what Mr. Massey alleges about his park and warren being abused by seamen, and the country by his neighbours, for this six weeks past may be true; but as for any soldiers under my command, I believe they never meddled with his rabbits nor his deer. The militia, I am informed did by order of the lord lieutenant search Mr. Massey's house for arms, and to tell the truth, some of my men went into the house and took some trifling things, but only by ignorance; seeing that the militia searched for arms, they thought they might have their share, but they were severely punished, more than the common law would have done. What things they had were delivered to Sir John Morgan, the governor, which were a pair of beads, an old brass watch, and some inconsiderable things. As for papers, I found none but some love letters and a copy of a confession lately made to his [Mr. Massey's] priest, a copy of which Lord Lumley and Mr. Wharton will show your lordship.

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His worship is very ill beloved in this country and I sent an officer and a file of men to guard his house and park; though to look on his house you would not think the master worth a groat. This officer and the men were sent to Puddington at the request of Mrs. Massey, his sister, but since he looks on it as an oppression, I shall beg leave of the governor to call them back to their quarters.

They sell the drink here by what measure they please, contrary to law, so that they make our men pay twopence for a little more than a pint of ale, which common soldiers cannot afford; therefore I order the soldiers to pay for the ale but three halfpence a measure, which they may well afford. We pay ready money for all we eat and drink in this town, yet they cannot endure a soldier; they flatly refused quartering us upon our first marching in, and had not Lord Delamere assisted us, we had not got quarters that night. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 98:] *Enclosing—*

Copy of letters of protection from William Henry, Prince of Orange, to William Massey of the county of Chester, esquire, dated 19 *January* 1688–[9]. [*Ibid., No.* 98 (i).]

June 25. Ormskirk. Lord Brandon to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I have several officers here, and some gentlemen of the country to oblige, and I think the King will have occasion to raise some troops of dragoons, which may be done with papists' horses; so that if his Majesty pleases to grant commissions for six troops, it will be for his service and will oblige these persons. The whole militia consisting of 2,500 men took the oaths with great joy, all but one man, and the rest of the commonalty are so unanimous that they would go, all as one man, to serve the King, but they want arms.

I have ordered the papists that are taken to be sent to Manchester. There are several young gentlemen of quality who were so scared at the noise of these commissions that they have forced a boat away with them, and it is supposed that the person who brought them over is gone with them. It is impossible to guard such a coast as this, of 100 miles, without troops well acquainted with the creeks. It is absolutely necessary to have three or four small frigates to coast between Liverpool and Whitehaven which, as I have acquainted Mons. Schomberg, is a place of such consequence, that two small privateers may fire three score sail of ships, and insult the place; but I have written so full of several things of this kind already without receiving any answer that I cannot but think myself neglected.

There are several Irishmen in the gaols here, with whom I desire to know what to do. I think that a proclamation should be speedily issued for persons absenting themselves to appear by a short time or else the Parliament to proceed against them, in order to the seizing of their estates. This conspiracy must be vigorously prosecuted or else it will not go off without blows, for I fear it is more deeply laid than we imagine. I think it very strange that one Parsons, a captain of Lord Drogheda's regiment, should be sent to Liverpool by the governor of Chester with orders I am not acquainted with. I have so well laid my business that I can raise 20,000 men at a short warning, and I hope in a little time to have 10,000 of them well armed. I shall encourage arming; it gives much courage to the country, that those who were most insolent are now become the most contemptible.

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There are abundance of the late King's declarations sent into the country, but they make no impression upon anybody. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 99.]

June 25. Preston. Col. Edward Matthews to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I had the honour of yours of 20th. I shall take all the care imaginable to avoid all causes of complaint of those under my command. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 100.]

June 25. Portsmouth. Col. J. Gibson to the Earl of Shrewsbury. In my last I gave your lordship an account of my giving liberty to Don Juan de Horo to go to London, there being no passage from hence beyond sea; but still he stays here. I took up the two enclosed letters from him at the post house. There is one Mr. Drady, a merchant and inhabitant here, who is looked upon as a papist and a bad man; he informs this de Horo to whom to write. There are 31 prisoners here, all seamen taken upon prizes, except the said de Horo and one Franciscan friar, who made his escape but was recaptured. One of the prizes is French and has aboard her, six men; all the rest are Irish. *Seal of arms* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 101.]

June 25. Admiralty Office. Report by the Commissioners of the Admiralty, on the petition of Cosmo de Lus, concerning the taking of his ship by the English. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 5.]

June 25. Hampton. Court. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the deputy-lieutenants of Worcestershire. As the papists, throughout England, are giving such just ground for suspicion that they are designing to disturb the government, of which new discoveries are daily made, I desire you to meet and discuss effectual means for disarming them and securing their horses in your county, according to a late and former Acts of Parliament. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 89.]

June 25. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King would have you pass the commission of the peace for the Tower Hamlets with all speed. [*Ibid.*, *p* 114.]

June 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Cooke, praying for a privy seal for a debt seized to the King's bands. Referred—together with Mr. Rodney's petition, lately referred to the Attorney General—to the Solicitor General, and Sir William Williams. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 108.]

June 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Gray, praying for a writ of error, returnable in the King's Bench. Granted. [*Ibid.*]

June 25. Hampton Court. Commission to William Berry to be captain of the company whereof Captain Nicholas Richards was captain, in the regiment of foot commanded by Sir George St. George. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 11.]

June 25. Whitehall. Warrant to search the house of Sir Robert Hamilton, and secure his papers. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 385.]

June 25. The like to protect the house and person of Mrs. Ann Berkeley of Ravenshill, county Worcester, and Thomas Berkeley, her son, from violence. [*Ibid.*]

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June 26. Chester Castle. Sir John Morgan to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I gave your lordship an account, by the last post, of a small privateer, which lay at Liverpool, Captain Ward being the owner, a very honest gentleman; I pray his commission be hastened. On Sunday night, about twelve, a small vessel, with several passengers, one of whom I am persuaded was a son of my Lord Molyneux set sail for Ireland from a small creek near Liverpool. Captain Parsons, commanding there, having an account of this, sent a boat with two files of men after her, but fearing they might not be strong enough, I ventured to grant an order to Captain Ward. This I dared not do without the advice of the Lords Commissioners who were then here. A fisherman just now brings word that he believes the first boat boarded them, that he saw them very near, and presently he heard several muskets fired. The Duke of Schomberg, we understand, will be here, for whom we must order great guards. Colonel Herbert's regiment is quartered nearest to us being at Shrewsbury. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1 *No.* 102.]

June 26. "Harcken Raht." The Prince of Waldeck to the King. On the road hither, I received your Majesty's note of the $\frac{7}{17}$ instant. Military affairs. Relations with Denmark and Sweden. As to the rank of the troops of your Majesty and the Spaniards, I will ask "milord Marlborough" to go and adjust the matter at Brussels. I have not received any letters from your Majesty, since that which Marlborough delivered to me. God bless the fleet; which I hope will prevent the succour which France is preparing for King James. I hope the good news from Londonderry will prove true, if "Mons. Kirck" arrive there. I pray God to prosper your Majesty in these glorious undertakings, and bring back the wanderers to England ("les errants an Angletaire"). King James is still too much respected among these troops. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 40.]

June 26. Hampton Court. Commission for the Commissioners of the Admiralty, empowering them to give directions to the court of Admiralty of England to proceed in matters of prizes taken from the French. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 1 *and S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 387.]

June 26. Hampton Court. Warrant to affix the Great Seal to the foregoing commission. [*H.O. Admiralty*, 3, *p.* 1a, *and S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34 *p.* 388.]

June 26. Warrant to grant the office of governor of Plymouth to John, Earl of Bath. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 378.]

June 26. Warrant to seize priests, papists, and reputed papists, concealed in London and Westminster, and particularly at the house of one Hall, a cook in Ivy Lane, London. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 387.]

June 26. Passes for Mr. Bernard Pierson and his sister to go to Hamburgh, or Holland; to Jacob Alby (?) to go to Flanders; for Mons. de la Bastide, Mr. Lochee, Mr. Steiner, Mr. Telling, Mr. Montmollin, Mons. Cassin, and Mr. Des Prez to go to Chester; and for Ensign Hamilton, in the Duke of Schomberg's regiment, to go to Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 385.]

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June 27. Nuys. Count de Flodrop to the Prince of Waldeck. As to difficulties put forward by Mons. de Delwight [De Witt ?] of which Mons. de Ham had written; and as to the movement of the troops. It is resolved to march to-day certain regiments from the Rhine, to strengthen Bonn. Copy. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 41.]

June 27. Colonel Gorr [Gore (?)] to the Prince of Waldeck. Thank God that the siege of Kaiserwerth has ended according to the wish and the glory of the Prince. Describes the incidents of the siege. *Copy.* [*Ibid.*, No. 42.]

June 27. Hampton Court. Instructions for such as have letters of marque or commissions for privateers against the French, by virtue of the commission dated on the previous day. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 2.]

June 27. Hampton Court. The King to ———. We are given to understand that the officers of our Navy have contracted with Sir John Shorter, and other merchants for bringing masts from New England that cannot elsewhere be found for the service of our Navy; particularly such as are of greater lengths than can be brought by any English built or other ship, free or unfree, now in the Thames, the ship *America* only excepted, she being about 400 tons burden. The said ship is foreign built and unfree, and we therefore naturalize and make her free for the purpose of bringing masts, &c., for our immediate use. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 389.]

June 27. Hampton Court. Similar warrant in respect to the ship *Eurpan* (?) belonging to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 390.]

June 27. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Edward Ellis and Luke Marsden, a porter, suspected of high treason. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 99.]

June 27. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Thomas Woodward, William Gilbert and Richard Master, of the office of registrar and writer of acts, to the ecclesiastical court of the Archdeaconry of Huntingdon. [*Ibid.*]

June 27. Pass or post-warrants for Mrs. Sulyard, Lieut.-Colonel Sulyard's wife, and five children to go to Holland; for Dr. Herwarder and Mrs. Stuart to go to Holland; and for Captain John Edgar, in the Duke of Bolton's regiment, to go to Halifax. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 409.

June 28. Statement showing the number and names of ships, at sea: ships fitting out, hired ships fitting out, and hired ships—total, 139. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 43.]

June 28. The Camp of Jodrigne. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. On arriving here, I found your Majesty's letter of the 13th, and will conform, as far as possible, to your orders. Military matters and arrangements. With the English, I can render myself superior at present to Marshal d'Humieres; and I wish that these troops, who are believed to be very brave, were as disciplined as they seem to be brave. Mons. de Mallbrouk [Marlborough] has much trouble with them. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 44.]

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June 28. A list of the fleet at sea and "fitting forth" with their commanders names, the number of their men and guns, their stations, and their "readiness"; two were at Virginia, one at Jamaica, and one at New England, the remainder in English or European ports or cruising off the coast of Europe. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 45.]

[June 28.] A list "of their Majesties' ships and vessells [48 in number] in harbour which are not ordered to be fitted out to sea; together with the number of men now borne on each of them, and in what time it is judged they may have their hulls repaired, and to be rigged, in case their hulls, at their caulking, prove not worse than can at present be seen." [*Ibid.*, *No.* 46.]

June 28. The Camp at Deynse. Count de Horn to the Prince of Waldeck. Has effected a junction with the Prince de Vaudemont which caused the enemy to retreat. *Copy.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 47.]

June 28. Hampton Court. The King to the high sheriff of Worcestershire. Granting him leave to remain and live out of that county during his term of office. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 25.]

June 28. Hampton Court. The King to the master, wardens, and assistants of the Haberdashers' Company, London. Whereas Thomas Bassett, clerk, has represented to us that he has for several years past enjoyed the place of master of the free school of Monmouth, till he was displaced by letters of King James directed to you, and whereas we have received a good character of his loyalty and capacity, we recommend him to you that he should be restored. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 26.]

June 28. Whitehall. Appointment of Capt. Richard Carter as deputy-governor of Southsea Castle; to hold the same office in as ample manner as Sir Roger Strickland formerly held it. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 54.]

June 28. Whitehall. The King to the Archbishop of Canterbury. Requiring his dispensation to Humphrey, Bishop of Bangor, to hold *in commendam* the rectory of Llaniestyn in the deanery of Llyn and diocese of Bangor and also the rectory of Eastyn *alias* Queenhope, in the diocese of St. Asaph without cure. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 16.]

June 28. Whitehall. Recommendation by the King, of John Legge, of Cambridge, to be beadsman of Trinity College. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

June 28. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to permit Lord Lovelace, Mr. Rice Rudd, and Mrs. Vaughan to have access to Capt. Vaughan, a prisoner. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 391.]

June 28. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the office of steward of Sherwood Forest and park of Fulwood in the county of Nottingham to Peregrine Earl of Danby. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 394.]

June 28. Warrant to apprehend Ralph Millet, suspected of high treason. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 100.]

June 28. Like warrant to apprehend William Fitzwilliam of Claxby in the county of Lincoln, and Mr. Christopher Benson, of North Kelsey. [*Ibid.*]

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June 29. The Duke of Lorraine to the Prince of Waldeck. Describes his movements on this side of the Moselle, in order to assist, if necessary, in the siege of Kaiserwerth. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 48.]

June 29. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is his Majesty's pleasure that you prepare bills for his signature authorizing the several lords and others named in the annexed list to be *Custodes Rotulorum* of the several counties, &c., specified therein; and, in the first place, to despatch the commission of the Earl of Clare to be *Custos Rotulorum* for Middlesex and the liberty of Westminster. *List follows.* [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 114.]

June 29. Whitehall. The same to Lord Brandon. I have received yours of the 23rd and 25th instant, as to raising troops of dragoons; it is not his Majesty's intention to do this at present, and he has disposed of the horses another way. I have spoken to the Duke of Schomberg about the company at Liverpool that they may have orders to obey your commands. The Lords of the Admiralty have orders to hire ships and to give them such orders and commissions as may be necessary for guarding and watching those coasts. The list of Irishmen that are prisoners there, and in other parts, and ports, of the kingdom, has been laid before the Committee, though no resolution is yet taken thereupon. I shall acquaint his Majesty of the cheerfulness for his service with which you meet in the militia of your county. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 116.]

June 29. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. I sent you, on Thursday night, a copy of an order of council relating to the two ships you proposed to be hired for the service on "that coast." I have since received yours of the 26th and two more by Captain Shales. I have sent an extract of yours to the Admiralty to hasten their commissions and instructions to Mr. Ward's ship. I doubt not his Majesty will approve of your actions, and I hope to hear in your next that you have seized that boat that got off. [*Ibid.*]

June 29. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Gibson. I have your letter of the 25th, with two enclosures written by the Spaniard to his friends in London. As for Mr. Drady, whatever is to be laid to his charge, may be made before any justice of the peace. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 117.]

June 29. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Hopton. There is no objection to your delivering the judicial seal to the carrier for safe conveyance here. [*Ibid.*]

June 29. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the mayor of Saltash. The Dutch ambassador having written to me complaining of the detention of the cables and anchors belonging to the ship *the Waterman*, John Stam, of Amsterdam, master, which were taken up by you in the port of Plymouth, and of your refusing to restore them until the sum of 20*l.* was paid to you, I desire you will send me up an account of the reasons of your detaining the cables and anchors without restoring them, with any other things belonging to the ship. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 30.]

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June 29. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas de la Riviere and Peter la Brie; the first praying for a land waiter's place in London and the other for a gratuity for discovering the designs of the Earl of Arran. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 109.]

June 29. Hampton Court. Warrant for altering the seal of the delegates for ecclesiastical and maritime causes. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 394.]

June 29. Passes or post-warrants for Solomon Devet, with his "necessaries," to go to Calais [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 387]; for John Haye to go Flanders and to return [*Ibid.*, *p.* 391]; for Mr. Spencer Lee to go to Flanders; for Mr. Henry Edwards to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 392]; for John Valavine to go to Holland; and for David Cairnes to go, on the King's business, to Scotland and thence to Ireland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 101.]

June 30. Hampton [Court.] The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of prizes. The King, having thought fit to nominate the persons in the enclosed list to be sub-commissioners of prizes, in the several ports, commands me to signify his pleasure to you that the deputations may be issued. For Plymouth; Mr. Thomas Carew and Mr. Simon Maine; for Bristol; Mr. Robert Henley and Mr. Egerton; for Portsmouth, Sir Charles Rawley and Colonel Oliver St. John; for Hull, Mr. Savile and Mr. John Knight; for Dover, Mr. William Campion and Mr. Knatchbull. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 118, *and H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 1a.]

June 30. Pass for Capt. John Mare to come from Newcastle. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 392.]

June 30. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the office of Attorney-General of the counties of Chester and Flint to Kenrick Eyton, esq. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 396.]

July 1. The Camp at Perwis. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Since his last letter, Marshal d'Humieres has retired towards Mauberge. Describe the movements of Mons. de Calvo. the Prince de Vaudemont, Count de Horn, and the Elector of Brandenburg. *Postscript.* Marlborough wishes that the King's guards, both English and Scotch—which will be changed this year—may form our [my ?] guard here. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest, No.* 49.]

July 1. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to John Gostling of the prebendary called Leicester St. Margaret, in the cathedral church of Lincoln, void by the promotion of Dr. Nicholas Stratford to the bishopric of Chester. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 230.]

July 1. Hampton Court. Warrant for restitution of temporalities to Humphrey, Bishop of Bangor, to commence from the death of Dr. Humphrey Lloyd, the late bishop. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 17.]

July 1. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to George Bright, D.D., of the deanery of St. Asaph, void by the promotion of Dr. Nicholas Stratford to the bishopric of Chester. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

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July 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Earl of Torrington. The Duke of Bolton thinks himself obliged to Captain Cole, of the *Pearl*, for safely bringing his son from Holland, and the defence he made against so many French privateers. The Duke has been earnestly desiring his Majesty to reward this by advancing him to a better ship. I am commanded to recommend him to your lordship to be preferred as you shall think fit, when an opportunity occurs. The Duke is also desirous for the promotion of the lieutenant of the ship, whose behaviour, he says, was no less remarkable than the captain's; and therefore, though I have no commands from the King about it, you will be pleased to take this also into consideration. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 117.]

July 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Anne Ashbury, widow, praying for a pension, and "the place of necessary woman to the household" as she formerly enjoyed. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 110.]

July 1. Warrant to permit John Hooke to have access to his brother, a prisoner. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 24, *p.* 392.]

July 1. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of denization to James Ermendinger. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 101.]

July 1. Whitehall. Certificate that Sir Paul Ricaut, resident at the Hanse Towns, departed on his employment on the 28th of June last. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 102.]

July 1. Hampton Court. Commission for Francis Russell, esq., to take rank as colonel of horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 182.]

July 1. Hampton Court. Commission for the same to be adjutant-general of horse. [*Ibid.*]

July 2. London The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Devonshire. Some time since, a slight information was given against Sir Henry Hunloke, but I believe there was never any intention of sending for him; now that your lordship speaks so favourably of him, if there should be such thing proposed, I will repeat what you have said. The King has very often pressed at Council that the lord lieutenants should appoint their deputies; for this reason I do not know whether it may not be that you should name yours before your return from the country especially since the same deputations that you give now will serve after the Act for the militia is passed. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 119.]

July 2. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Montagu. The despatch of the commissioners for the several "custos's" being deferred till after you have been heard as to your pretensions to that of Middlesex, I give you notice of it that you may hasten your claim; since any delay will be prejudicial to those counties which suffer for want of justices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 120.]

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July 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The Earl of Torrington having in his letter to me desired a supply of more provisions for the fleet, concerning which I believe he has likewise written to you, I have acquainted the King with it, who has commanded me to tell you that he would have you give order for laying up at Plymouth, as soon as possible, such stores of provisions for the use of the fleet as shall be necessary and sufficient for that service. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 30.]

July 2. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King commands me to acquaint you that he would have you insert Mr. Crispe in the commission of the peace for Oxfordshire. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 31.]

July 2. Proceedings upon the petition of Nathaniel Matson stating that a patent was granted by the late King to Christopher Matson, the petitioner's brother, "for producing all sorts of fowle out of their eggs, by artificial heat"; which invention was proposed "to furnish the town with chicken in winter, when they are not otherwise to be had, but at great rates, and with partridge and pheasants, in summer, whereby the game within 50 miles of London may be better preserved." But a stop being put to this patent upon his Majesty's happy accession to the Crown, no further progress was made in the said grant. Prays that the grant may be renewed. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 45.]

July 2. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Peter Brouwer merchant of Rotterdam, stating that his goods, East India stuffs, &c. were seized as prohibited goods, to his utter ruin. Prays that they may be restored by the Commissioners of the Customs. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 46.]

July 2. Hampton Court. Commission appointing as sub-commissioners of prizes the persons named in the Earl of Shrewsbury's letter of the 30th June. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 7.]

July 2. Hampton Court. Warrant for a Treasury warrant to pay to Philibertus Hervaert 600*l.* per annum as English resident at Geneva. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 392.]

July 3. Liverpool. Thomas Tyrer, mayor of Liverpool, to the Earl of Nottingham. Upon 17th of April last, I was informed that Mr. Abbot had embarked in a small vessel for Ireland, whereupon I immediately ordered the custom-house boat to follow him and bring him back, which was accordingly done, and I, in the presence of Major-General Kirke, examined him. The purport of his examination was, that a daughter of Lord Molyneux being ill, he was sent over to bring her to England, in hopes that her native air might contribute to her health. After I had kept him five weeks in prison, I wrote to the recorder of Wigan (our own recorder being in London) to know if he was bailable, and upon his answer in the affirmative I took sufficient bail for his appearance. When the messenger came, one of his bondsmen went to Croxteth, and he immediately

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redelivered himself. *Seal of arms, broken.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 103.]

July 3. Nuys (?). General Schöning to the Prince of Waldeck. Touching movements of the troops near the Rhine, and the siege of the fort of Bonn. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 50.]

July 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to officer-in-chief at Gravesend. Having information that a small vessel has lately gone down the river, with many passengers, said to be bound for France, and it being supposed that Sir Adam Blair is amongst them, I give you notice of it that directions be given to the officers of the port carefully to examine what passengers are outward bound, that those may be stopped who cannot give a good account of themselves. The name of the vessel is not known and therefore it is requisite that all ships should be searched. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 120.]

July 3. Whitehall. Blank warrant addressed to Henry Leggatt to apprehend a suspicious person. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 395.]

July 3. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Captain Robert Cary to go to Chester to join Colonel Hamilton's regiment; for George Grimmer to go to Holland; for Mary Vanden Bos and her child, ditto; for John Kaysar to go to Hamburgh; and for Samuel Hobson and one servant to go to Whitehaven. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 395.]

July 4. Affidavit by Nathaniel Chamberlaine, senior, citizen of London, that Joseph Kenton, Simon Dee, Thomas Page, Richard Watts, — Tillding, and — Dashwood, with others, are in a cabal against the government, and the said Thomas Page, with others, about the 26th of June, said these words: "God damn him, he would murder King William and Queen Mary," and further said, "Why did they come into England to take away their father's possession, &c." Sworn before J. Cutler. *Endorsed* with the names of witnesses to prove the foregoing and a statement that Thomas Page and Henry Wright threatened to murder the said Chamberlain when he was going to Lord Nottingham's house at Kensington. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 104.]

July 4. Kaiserswerth. Lieut.-General Delwig to the Prince of Waldeck. Relating to the same matters dealt with in General Schöning's letter of the previous day. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 51.]

July 4. Nuys. Resident Ham to the same. On the same subject. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 52.]

July 4. A memorandum describing the situation of the enemy's army. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 53.]

July 4. Perwis. The Prince of Waldeck to Resident Ham. Account of his negociations with the Elector and the Marquis of Castanaga, and of his own proceedings. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 54.]

July 4. Nuys (?). The same to Mons. de Danckelmann. Touching the siege of Bonn. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 55.]

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July 4. Hampton Court. Additional instructions to William, Duke of Hamilton, the King's commissioner in Scotland.

1. By the second article of your instructions, dated the 31st of May last, you were empowered to pass an Act for regulating the Committee called the Articles, which were to consist of 24 persons, besides the officers of state; notwithstanding which, these are to authorise you to pass an Act for them to consist of 33 persons, besides the officers of state, whereof 11 are to be chosen out of every estate, and to be chosen monthly or oftener, if the parliament thinks it fit, and all former Acts, especially the 1 Act Charles II. Sess. 3, inconsistent with this, are to be rescinded.

2. You are to pass what Acts shall be proposed for settling the church government according to your former instructions.

3. You are to pass an Act rescinding all forfeitures passed against any of our subjects, either in parliament or criminal courts, since the first day of January, 1665, which shall be thought fit by the parliament to be rescinded; likewise you are to consent to what our parliament shall propose, for restitution to be made of fines or compositions for fines, or forfeitures, from those who had the benefit of them, and you are to rescind such Acts as were made in 1681 and 1685, as are justly grievous.

Although the first of the above instructions is not complied with; yet, you are to move the other two and have them passed before any adjournment. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 44.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 1000*l.* sterling to George, Lord Melville, as his Majesty's sole and principal Secretary of State for the kingdom of Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 45.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to David, Earl of Leven, to be constable and governor of the castle of Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 46.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to David, Earl of Leven, constable and governor of the castle of Edinburgh, to be captain of the company in garrison there. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 48.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 400*l.* to Sir John Dalrymple of Stair, the younger, as his Majesty's advocate. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 49.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 200*l.* to Sir William Lockhart, advocate, as his Majesty's solicitor, with 200*l.* more for public expenses and disbursements in his Majesty's service; making together 400*l.* [*Ibid.*, *p.* 50.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to Sir Patrick Murray of Saltcoats, to be one of the receivers and collectors, and one of the paymasters of his Majesty's standing forces in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 51 *and* 52.]

July 4. Hampton Court. The King to the Parliament of Scotland. We have seen your letter, dated the 25th of June, with the draft of an Act mentioned in it; albeit we think our first instruction did take off all that was grievous in the constitution of the articles, yet to evidence our desire to give you all just satisfaction, we have of new instructed our

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commissioner to increase your number and enlarge your privileges in that committee. And as we are firmly resolved to redress your grievances, so we are careful to propose nothing to you but what, on mature deliberation, we discern to be as well for the good of the nation as of the Crown, and we do expect that you will evidence your affection to us by your ready concurring with what our commisioner shall propose to you from us. We have likewise instructed our commissioner to hasten our people's satisfaction in settling the church government and for enacting restitution to all who have been lately injured by fines, forfeitures, or compositions on these accounts; and be assured that we will, on all occasions, promote what further shall be requisite to accomplish your desires and settle a lasting peace in the kingdom. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 53.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, receivers of his Majesty's rents, etc., in Scotland, for payment of the daily allowance as lieutenant-colonel and captain, and also of servants' allowances to Lieutenant-Colonel James Murray, from the 1st of February last to the 1st of August next ensuing. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 54.]

July 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Morgan. "That Lord Brandon hath possessed himself of the arms designed for your government, was upon a supposition that these were part of a greater number he had collected for arming the militia of Lancashire, and I understand that the officers of the ordnance are considering to furnish you both with those quantities of arms necessary for you." I have seen a letter from Mr. Whitby on behalf of Mr. Brerewood, against whom an information has been given; I think it better to refer the enquiry upon the subject to you so that you can act as you think proper as to accepting bail or otherwise. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 121.]

July 4. Whitehall. The same to Mayor of Durham. I have received yours and the justices' letter of the 28th June, concerning the libels and declarations brought to Durham; it is now grown a frequent abuse to disperse these papers, in a clandestine manner, by directing them to persons of worth and integrity, when those who read them are unknown; this might partly be prevented if the carriers were careful to inform themselves of whom they received any goods, and if such as should be found to conceal or disperse them, after they are so sent, were themselves made liable. But it is not fit that any others should be molested for what it is not in their power to help, and all that is to be done with such papers is to order them to be burnt. [*Ibid.*]

July 4. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. This directs you to prepare a bill in the usual form, appointing George Bradbury, of the Middle Temple, a cursitor baron of the Exchequer. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 123.]

July 4. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Lucas to permit Mr. John Hooke to visit his brother, Nathaniel Hooke, now prisoner in the Tower. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 395.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the office of *Custos Rotulorum* of Middlesex and Westminster, to John, Earl of Clare. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 396.]

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July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the office of lieutenant of Dover Castle to Col. John Beaumont. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 397.]

July 4. Hampton Court. Warrant to swear Sir Edward Villiers, knt., as knight-marshal of the royal household. [*Ibid., p.* 398.]

July 4. Whitehall. Post-warrants for Capt. Atkinson and his company to go from London to such ports on the Irish coast as they shall have occasion to visit; and for Captains Ayles and Greenhill, ditto. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 102.]

July 5. London. John Rooke to Sir Joseph Williamson, at Mount Ephraim, near Tunbridge Wells. I received your letter by Mr. Cory, with the enclosed to Mr. Best, which we together delivered to him. I have sent the form of acquittance to the tenants. *Seal.* [*S.P. Dom. Will & Mary* 1, *No.* 105.]

July 5. Draycot Cern near Chippenham. Sir James Long to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I send you an account of the deportment of John Bayley, late of Chippenham, attorney, brought before me for speaking criminal words tending to withdraw their Majesties' liege people from their obedience, on the day before the magistracy, ministry, and "burgessy" of Malmesbury and Chippenham were to take the oaths of allegiance and supremacy. [*Ibid., No.* 106.] *Enclosing—*

Depositions to the effect that the said John Bayley had declared that King William and Queen Mary were not lawful King and Queen of England. [*Ibid., No.* 106 (i).]

July 5. Perwis. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Sends him a journal, setting forth the state and prospect of affairs at the Hague and in the Provinces. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.*56.]

July 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Justice Tuke. Some time since, there were seized at Dartford, in Kent, two poor Grecians, whom upon information given from thence, I sent for up by a messenger; and finding they were not as represented, I immediately ordered their discharge. They then complained that all their money had been taken, and some dozens of their counterfeit rings. I could not in compassion, refuse to write to you to send for the persons who have their money or goods and compel their restitution. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 122.]

July 5. Whitehall. The same to the Committee for Trade and Plantations. I am to acquaint you that his Majesty has appointed James Kendall, esq., to be captain-general and governor of Barbadoes, and would have you order the preparation of his dispatches. [*Ibid., p.* 123.]

July 5. Caveat that nothing pass relating to the presentation to Marsh Gibbon Church, in Buckinghamshire, till notice be given to Richard Hampden, esq. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 7.]

July 5. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Leigh, praying to be captain of one of the King's ships. Referred to the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 110.]

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July 5. Warrant to the governor of the Tower to allow Sir Robert Hamilton, a prisoner, liberty to walk there. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book*, 34, *p.* 397.]

July 5. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the office of knight-harbinger to Louis Jacques Vasseur Congné, Marquis de Puisars. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 398.]

July 5. Passes for Andreas Schrader, Peter Stuven, Peter Wild, and Richard Schroder, merchants of Hamburgh, to go to Holland; Mr. Corcelles junr., merchant, and John De Brooke, his servant, to go to Nieuport, in Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 396]; for Don Philip de Gorcey to go to Flanders; for Mr. Abbondio Rezzonico, "a noble venetian," Mr. Lewis Fuga and Francis Tazza, John Caro and Gerald Buchett to go to France or Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 397]; for Mr. Richard Dunning to go to Yorkshire and return [*Ibid.*, *p.* 400]; for James Rolas, a French protestant, to go to Holland; and for Louis Forneret, ditto. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 102.]

July 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Villiers. Directing the discharge of a prisoner against whom there is insufficient evidence to warrant his detention. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 122.]

July 6. Whitehall. The same to "the commander of the yacht that carries Mr. Issac." The Spanish ambassador having desired that you should carry to Holland with Mr. Issac, the bearer hereof, Don Antonio de Gastado, adjutant-general of the horse in Flanders, I desire you to receive him on board with his servants, and treat him with all civility. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 123.]

July 6. Whitehall. The same to deputy-mayor of Newcastle. I have received your letter of the 28th June by Sir Robert Carr, "with the patterns of the libels" seized, and the several informations concerning them. The method you have taken to bind the carriers to answer at the assizes for being accessories for bringing such seditious papers into the country, will make them, and others, refuse to receive "such pestilent ware" to be dispersed all over the kingdom. I hope you have taken care to have all the libels burnt. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 124.]

June 6. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. I have sent your account of disbursements for prisoners to the Treasury, where Mr. Manwaring has promised to call and receive it, and I am assured that punctual payment will be made. It is so satisfactory to Mr. Manwaring, that he promised to furnish Mr. Marsh with sufficient money to subsist the prisoners; there is therefore no occasion to advance funds. I cannot pretend to give instructions for detecting the frauds of such as evade the law by owning the papists horses to prevent seizure. I suppose the justices of the peace, who are solely intrusted in these cases, will be careful to be satisfied by more than the bare assertion of those who prefer their own interest before that of the public. [*Ibid.*]

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July 6. Whitehall. The same to Sir Nicholas Staning. I waited to answer till now, expecting Lord Melville's account of Sir Robert Berkeley, whether he is a person to be immediately discharged, which he certifying in his favour, you may set him at liberty, with his lady, daughter, and two servants: only, for greater security, Lord Melville thinks it reasonable that [the oath] should be tendered to him, which you will see that he takes. The same sort of libels that you have received, I find sent to most parts of the kingdom and to persons of unquestionable loyalty, and I can give but one general direction that the papers be burnt, and those persons only taken notice of on this account, who are either concealers or wilful and knowing dispersers of the libels. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 125.]

July 6. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of a baronetcy to Hender Molesworth of Jamaica, with remainder to his heirs male, and in default to Sir John Molesworth, knt., and his heirs male. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 402.]

July 6. Warrant for a grant of the office of *Custos Rotulorum* of Kent to Heneage, Earl of Winchelsea. [*Ibid.*]

July 6. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Edward Doling, gentleman to the Earl of Kingston, to go to Breamore, near Salisbury; for Captain James Mackracan, in the Duke of Schomberg's regiment, to go to Holland; and for Roger Jeffreys, lieutenant in the Earl of Roscommon's regiment, to go to Gloucester. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 400.]

July 7. The Marquis of Carmarthen to [the Earl of Shrewsbury?] I am neither well enough to wait on your lordship, nor to use my own hand, but having received the enclosed I may be blamed if I do not communicate it immediately to you. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary, No.* 107.]

July 7. The Camp at Perwis.(?) The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Sends him the names of some persons suitable to fill "les hauttes charges" now vacant. The names of the offices are not specified. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 57.]

July 7. Warrant for grant to John Newton, clerk, M.A., of the prebend of Leicester St. Margaret in the cathedral church at Lincoln, void by promotion of Dr. Nicholas Stratford to the bishopric of Chester. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 19.]

July 7. Passes for William Bruce and James Chute, two servants of the Duke of Ormond, to go to Holland; for Robert Rose, ensign in the Earl of Kingston's regiment, to go to Coventry; and for John Fitzpatrick, gent., to go to Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 400.]

July 8. London. Scheme for repairs to the fortifications at Portsmouth, drawn up by Major-Gen. Du Cambon. If your Majesty should think proper to put in order the work of the fortification of Portsmouth, it might be made one of the best places in Europe at a moderate expense; but as you have directed my attention simply to the most necessary repairs, I will not deal with other matters. The barracks first demand attention, which are in a wretched state and dangerous to the health of the soldiers. Describes their condition: the soldiers' lodgings are

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too small and too close together. These repairs will cost 800*l.* Other necessary repairs to various parts of the fortifications are set out, the cost of which brings the total sum required to 4,500*l.* *Signed.* *Noted*—Du Cambon has spoken to his Majesty for Nolibois, who was employed in Holland as engineer; and the King has commanded him [Du Cambon] to tell the Duke of Schomberg that it is his intention to employ Nolibois. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, 58.]

July 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Brockman and Mr. Deedes. I have received your letter, and the depositions, and have acquainted the King with them, who has commanded me to send a messenger to bring up the three men that are taken. Pray let the persons concerned in taking them come up, at the same time, and, if these men prove to be the persons mentioned in the King's proclamation, they shall have the reward, which is promised in it, paid to them. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*), *p.* 31.]

July 8. Whitehall. Proclamation for the discovery and apprehension of highwaymen and robbers, and for rewarding the discoverers. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 33].

July 8. Hampton Court. Proclamation prohibiting the destruction without leave of game within ten miles of Hampton Court [*Ibid., No.* 34, *and S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 405.]

July 8. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Colonel John Deane stating that he has served the Crown in military employment for 40 or 50 years, and that for his loyalty, he was, in Cromwell's time, tried and condemned to be hanged drawn and quartered, which sentence was altered and he was to be beheaded, but he miraculously escaped; all his estate was confiscated, he losing thereby 10,000*l.* In King James' time, he was turned out of all he had for refusing to take away the penal laws, and being now an M.P. he waited upon the King at Hungerford but received no consideration for past services. Prays to have conferred upon him the office of clerk of the passes for the ports of England, now vacant, formerly granted by King Charles II. for 21 years to Thomas Matthew gent., deceased. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 47.]

July 8. Hampton Court. Warrants for grants of the offices of *Custodes Rotulorum* of Surrey, Berks, Norfolk and Norwich to the Duke of Norfolk; of Oxfordshire to James, Earl of Abingdon; of Lincolnshire to Robert, Earl of Lindsey; of Devon and Cornwall to John, Earl of Bath; of Worcestershire to John, Lord Coventry; of Nottinghamshire to William, Earl of Kingston; of Suffolk, to Charles, Lord Cornwallis; of Gloucestershire to Charles, Viscount Dursley; of Warwickshire to George, Earl of Northampton; of Chester to Henry, Lord Delamere; of Cambridgeshire to Edward Russell, esquire; of Hertfordshire to Charles, Earl of Shrewsbury; of the precincts of the Tower of London to Robert, Lord Lucas; of Staffordshire to William, Lord Paget; of Cumberland and Westmorland to Sir John Lowther, bart.; of Northumberland to Richard, Viscount Lumley; and of Bedfordshire to Paulet, Earl of Bolingbroke. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *pp.* 401, 402 and 403.]

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July 8. Hampton Court. Warrant for a writ under the Great Seal to Sir Charles Berkeley, K.B. "by the name of Charles Berkeley de Berkeley, chevalier," immediately returnable to the House of Peers. *In the margin:* "Lord Dursley's writ to Parliament." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 404.]

July 8. The like for Robert Sydney, esq., "by the name of Robert Sydney de Peyshurst, chevalier." [*Ibid.*]

July 8. Warrant to Francis Eades, John Herbert, and Jacob Bridgwater to take alive, 20 brace of hares, or more, in any "woodland parts" of Middlesex, Surrey, Sussex, Southampton, and Berks, and place them in the hare warren at Hampton Court. [*Ibid., p.* 406.]

July 8. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Thomas Page, suspected of high treason, [*Ibid* 35, *p.* 103.]

July 8. Warrant to receive from the mayor of Folkestone, the persons of Gilbert Edwards, —— Bysshe, of St. Martin in the Fields, Thomas Bell, and John Brown, taken on suspicion of high treason. [*Ibid.*]

July 8. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Don John Horo, Don Dominico Cortezar and Peter Garzia to embark for Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 398]; for Captain Hamilton, in the Earl of Kingston's regiment, to go to Salisbury or elsewhere as his Majesty's service requires [*Ibid., p.* 400]; for the Earl of Drumlanrigg to go to Edinburgh; for Jean Henry Isola gentleman to go to Flanders; and for Mr. Richard Hancock, one of Her Majesty's servants, to go to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 404.]

July 9. Hampton Court. H. W. Ludolf to the Earl of Nottingham. Your letter was delivered to me with the enclosed papers. I shall get them signed by his Royal Highness and deliver them to his Majesty to-night. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary, No.* 108.]

July 9. The Earl of Dorset to the clerks of the Signet and Privy Seal. The King having declared that no grant should pass for the place of knight-harbinger, till the case be heard in Council, I desire the grant may be stopped if it should be brought into your office. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 85.]

July 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Lanier. Upon the receipt of your letter of the 26th June, I moved the King for leave for your coming up, and Mr. Blathwait had directions for sending it to you; but the advices from Scotland, making mention that Dundee had again assembled his forces and shown signs of attempting something, may delay the sending this order till the King is better satisfied that you may be spared. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 125.]

July 9. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. Lord Herbert "hath proposed to me some desires of yours in relation to the Government," which I shall be ready to assist in for your satisfaction; but as to a lieutenant-governor at Chester, there having never yet been any appointed, the King is not convinced of the necessity of one. "I have seen what you wrote, on the 6th instant, about disfurnishing such vessels as

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gave occasion to suspect they were carrying intelligence for Ireland. It is, no doubt, a very useful service to his Majesty to put a stop to that trade that had too long a course for news and passengers thither, and you may see how sensible the King is of the conveniency thereof, by the general embargo that is laid upon all that coast." [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 126.]

July 10. The King to the Earl of Leven and Major-General Mackay. Ordering them to "capitulate" with the Highland chiefs in the same terms as those directed in his letter written in the previous June. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 63.]

July 10. Hampton Court. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, receivers of his Majesty's rents in Scotland, for the payment of 146*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* to Major John Summervill. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 64.]

July 10. Hampton Court. H. W. Ludolf to the Earl of Nottingham. That your Lordship may not blame me for not delivering the Prince's papers to the King last night, I must acquaint you that I could not get them signed, his Highness coming home from taking the air before they were written fair, and going straight to the Queen, and the King coming home very late. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 109.]

July 10. The Camp at Perwis. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of the campaign abroad. The Duke of Lorraine desires the Elector of Brandenburg to make a movement towards the Moselle in order to assist the siege of Mont Royal. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 59.]

July 10. Whitehall. Licence for Owen Wynne, high sheriff of Carnarvonshire, to live out of that county during his term of office. [*H.O. King's Letter Books*, 2, *p.* 27.]

July 10. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Whereas the great injuries done by the French King to several of our subjects, and his unjust invasion of our allies, together with his declaring war against our kingdom of England, have justly induced us to declare war against him, and seeing that the present circumstances of our ancient kingdom of Scotland are best known to you, being upon the spot, especially as to our subjects' concerns in France, either as to persons or effects; we have thought fit to authorise and require you to issue forth a declaration of war in our name against the said King and his subjects referring the time of issuing and publishing the same to you that it may be ordered as shall be most for the good of that our kingdom. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 61.]

July 10. Hampton Court. The same to the same. Whereas we, considering how prejudicial it is to our lieges that the courts of justice have continued so long silent, have thought fit to name some of the cenators of our college of justice, and have ordered the opening of our signet with all expedition, to the end that law may have its due course; therefore we require you forthwith to emit a proclamation declaring that the signet is open. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 62.]

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July 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Williams, esq., M.P., setting forth his zeal for his Majesty's service. The Earl of Pembroke interceded for him to be a commissioner of the Excise. Prays to be promoted thereto on the first vacancy. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 47.]

July 10. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Harris "our engraver." You are, forthwith, to "alter our seals for the counties of Denbigh, Montgomery, and Flint by taking out the inscription on one side of *Jacobus II., Dei gratia Mag. Brit. Fran. et Hibern, Rex Fidei Defen.*, &c.; and, instead thereof, to engrave *Gulielmus III., et Maria II., Dei gratia Mag. Brit. Fran. et Hibern, Rex et Regina, Fidei Defensores*, &c., and, on the other, to engrave, on an escutcheon of pretence, the arms of Nassau, viz.:—a lion rampant in a field billetté." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 422.]

July 10. Whitehall. Warrant to the same. You forthwith alter our seal for the county palatine of Chester by changing the inscription on one side only of "*Sigillum Jacobi II. Mag. Br. Fr. et Hibern. Regis Fidei Defen. &c.*, to that of *Sigillum Gulielmi III. and Maria II. Dei Gratia Mag. Br. Fr. et Hibern. Regis et Regina, Fidei Defen., &c.*" [*Ibid.*]

July 10. Whitehall. Warrant to the same to alter the seals for the counties of Carmarthen, Cardigan, and Pembroke by taking out the inscription of "*Jacobus II., Dei gratia,*" &c., on the one side, and instead thereof, to engrave "*Gulielmus III. et Maria II. Dei gratia*" &c., and on the other, to engrave, on an escutcheon of pretence, the arms of Nassau. [*Ibid.*]

July 10. Whitehall. Warrant to the same in respect of the seals for the counties of Glamorgan, Brecknock and Radnor. [*Ibid., p.* 423.]

July 10. Hampton Court. Commissions for Henry Fletcher to be captain and governor of "the Isle of the Bass." [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 55]; for William Cleland to be lieutenant-colonel of the Earl of Angus' regiment of foot in Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 56]; for Robert Wood to be lieutenant and deputy-governor of the garrison on the Bass [*Ibid., p.* 57]; and for Lord Strathnaver to be colonel of his Majesty's regiment of foot in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 58.]

July 10. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of clerk to the criminal court of Scotland to James Montgomery of Langshaw, the younger. [*Ibid., p.* 59.]

July 10. Passes or post-warrants to Mr. Arthur Bush to go to Chester or elsewhere as his Majesty's service requires. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 400]; for Mr. Edward Barton to go to Nieuport and thence to the Earl of Marlborough; and for Bridgett Horton, Hester Perkins, and Mary Gilden to go to France. [*Ibid., p.* 405.]

July 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Major-General Kirke. "The King being informed that, amongst other inhumanity offered unto protestants in Ireland, they have, of late, got great numbers together of the more helpless and feebler sort, whom they drive, even to the walls of Londonderry, threatening them with famine or violent

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deaths if they are not received into the town, hoping thereby to exhaust their provisions by dividing them amongst those who can contribute nothing to their defence, and his Majesty, resenting as he ought, these barbarities, which those that commit them can no more justify as soldiers, than as Christians, commands me immediately to dispatch this messenger to signify to you his Majesty's pleasure that, if you have any account of these, or the like, horrid practices against the lives of innocent persons, you should forthwith, by a trumpeter, make a formal denunciation in his Majesty's name, that whatever cruelties or irregular violences are acted against the protestants, in any part of Ireland, the King doth think himself obliged to return, in the same manner, upon all papists, of what rank or condition soever that shall be found here: and that he will not fail to put this in execution according to the provocation given." [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 126.]

July 11. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent, appointing Oliver Montagu, of the Middle Temple, as King's counsel. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 104.]

July 11. Post-warrant to Mr. William Carter, surveyor of prizes, to go to Plymouth. [*Ibid., p.* 407.]

July 12. Zell. Sir W. D. Colt to [Mr. Warre.] I arrived here last night after being 12 hours at sea. The camp broke up here yesterday and 2,700 men began their march to Holland. I am told that so soon as Holstein is delivered, which is to be next week, the Duke of Hanover will march with 8,000 more to the Rhine. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 1.]

July 12. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of Francis Powlett, esq., praying for the repair of Calshot Castle, of which he is governor. Referred to the Duke of Schomberg for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 112.]

July 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Jephson. The King declares that he will grant the Earl of Winchelsea a pension of 500*l. per annum*, and that he will give directions as to it, the next time he comes to the Treasury, which I acquaint you with, that you may put his Majesty in mind of it when he comes thither. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 33.]

July 12. Passes or post-warrants for Mr. Robert Forbes and David Reckart to go from Scotland to London; for Captain Burke, in the Earl of Roscommon's regiment, to go to Gloucester; and for —— Stapleton, esq., to go to Yorkshire. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 407.]

July 13. The Camp at Tongerell. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Difficulty in obtaining from this province, payment for the officers of Trouchses' regiment, despite the treaty made with the Duke of Wurtemburg. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 60.]

July 13. The Camp at Tongerell. The same to the same. Sends a copy of a letter he has written to Mons. Heinsius. Movements of the troops abroad. The English deserve great praise. The Duke of Northumberland has arrived and the writer show him all the civilities he can. [*Ibid., No* 61.]

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July 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The King would have you give order to the commander of *the James*, galley, to stay at the Brill, or Helvoet Sluice, till Lieutenant Patrick Berkeley, Lieutenant George Hamilton, and the other Scotch officers, who shall be sent by my Lord Marlborough, come thither, and then take them on board and land them in some port of England as near as may be to Bury in the county of Suffolk. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 32.]

July 13. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. The King having received the enclosed address from the House of Commons on the behalf of Mrs. Fitzharris, commands me to transmit the same to you to be laid before him the next time he comes to the Treasury Chamber, in order that you may receive his further pleasure. [*Ibid.*]

July 13. Whitehall. The same to the justices of assize for the Norfolk circuit. The King commands me to acquaint you that after you have ended the assizes for the county of Suffolk, at Bury St. Edmunds, he would have you adjourn the same until the 30th of this month, and then return to that town in order to the trial of the Scotch officers. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 33.]

July 13. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Lanier. The soldiers that belonged to the regiment, that was lately Lord Dumbarton's, are now to be tried at the assizes for the county of Suffolk, to be held at Bury. The assizes were appointed to be held on the 16th of this month, but on the account of these men's trial, are to be adjourned to the 30th. His Majesty has ordered me to signify his pleasure to you that you, should send Lieutenant Mackenzeel (*sic*) Sergeant Campbell, John Smith, corporal, and Lieutenant Bruce to the assizes there in order to be witnesses at their trial. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 34.]

July 13 Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Edward Maynard B.D. of a canonry or prebend in the cathedral church of Worcester void by the death of Dr. Crowther. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 19.]

July 13. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Charles Canson and James Knowles suspected of dangerous practices against the Government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 407.]

July 13. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Mrs. Mary Johnson to embark at Dover for Flanders; for Peter Murrier, a French protestant, to go to Holland, and for Thomas Fotherby to go to Harwich. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 104.]

July 13. Whitehall. Certificate that Edmund Poley, late envoy-extraordinary to the King of Sweden, returned into the King's presence on the 3rd instant. [*Ibid.*]

July 13. Whitehall. Allowance of the extra expenses of Edmund Poley, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Sweden, from 7th February, 1688–9 to 3rd July, 1689, except for interest money and fees, which are referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 105.]

July 14 Hampton Court. Warrant for the reprieve of Robert Evans, convicted at the Old Bailey, of felony. [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 452.]

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July 15. Hampton Court. Warrant to issue a writ under the Great Seal to Charles Granville, esq., by "the name of Charles Grenvile de Kilkhampton, chevalier" immediately returnable to the House of Peers. *In the margin*, "Lord Viscount Lansdowne's summons to Parliament." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 407.]

July 15. Whitehall. Warrant to the governor of the Tower to permit the Earl of Monmouth to speak in private to Mr. Nathaniel Hooke, a prisoner. [*Ibid.*]

July 15 Hampton Court. Warrant to issue a writ under the Great Seal to Charles Boyle, esq., "by the name of Charles Clifford de Lanesborough chevalier," immediately returnable to the House of Peers. *In the margin*, "Lord Clifford summons to Parliament."

Note.—This warrant was altered, and the word Boyle erased, and the word Clifford inserted by Mr. Wynne's direction, 9th August 1689. [*Ibid., p.* 408.]

July 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to George, Earl of Berkeley, of the office of *Custos Rotulorum* of Surrey. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 106.]

July 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Henry Justell of the office of keeper of the royal libraries, at a salary of 200*l.*; the reversion thereof to James Thynne. [*Ibid.*]

July 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Christopher Musgrave of the office of clerk of the delivery of ordnance, &c. [*Ibid., p.* 107.]

July 16. The camp at Tongerell. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of events in the campaign. Considers the news from Germany, of the unsuccessful bombardment of Bonn, very uncertain. Finds that the English troops, rank and file, amount to 5,200 men, without the sick and wounded. Believes that, with their officers, they amount to 6,000, besides cavalry. Speaks well of Marlborough and the whole English force. The conduct of the Dukes of Northumberland and Ormonde gives general satisfaction. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 62.]

July $\frac{16}{26}$. [Zell.] Extract from a letter from M. de la Roque. The troops of this State, which ought to march to Holland, are about Osnabruck waiting for an answer from the States General if they still want any companies of dragoons, and also for permission to pass through the lands of the Bishop of Munster. The papists of this court speak well for France, especially M. de Launay, colonel of the guards, of M. du Bocage, and Major-Gen. de Beil-David. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 2.]

July $\frac{16}{26}$. Zell. Mons. de la Roque, secretary to ————. The envoy has been, by sickness, prevented from as yet having an audience with his Highness. Is grieved at the non-arrival of the English post. Rumours as to the fate of Londonderry. Progress of affairs on the continent; the siege of Mayence is being vigorously prosecuted. *Ibid., p.* 4.]

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July 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Morgan. The King has given you his interest in four letters of exchange I sent up to Mr. Wynne, which I hope will be paid. I am very glad to find that such care is taken to meet with the vessels you mention in their return from Ireland, and if Bromfield be found on board it will be a considerable service to his Majesty. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 127.]

July 16. Whitehall. The same to Sir Ralph Delaval. Concerning Paul Radcliff; I do not think his case requires any particular directions, but that it may proceed in ordinary course of law. [*Ibid.*]

July 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to "Judge Dolben on the Norfolk Circuit." I have received a letter from yourself, and Mr. Baron Turton, and shall acquaint the King with the contents of it. In the meantime, I must inform you that the witnesses that are to attend the trial of these Scotchmen, are out of England—some of them in Scotland, others in Flanders; but I have written to their superior officers to send them to Bury to be there, at the latest, by the 30th or 31st of this month: so that, should you adjourn the assizes to the 25th instant, it is possible these witnesses may not come so soon, and then the assizes must be continued, or adjourned, *de die in diem*, till the last time prefixed for your attendance, which, if you please to do, I presume there will be no inconvenience. I am glad to hear so good an account of the countries, through which you have passed, as you give me in your particular letter, of which I shall let the King know. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 35.]

July 16. Hampton Court. Commissions for Sir William Douglas to be lieutenant-colonel of Sir Thomas Levingston's regiment of dragoons [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 65]; and for Sir John Hay to be captain of a troop in Sir Thomas Levingston's regiment of dragoons. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 66.]

July 16. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of letters of denization to Jacques Gonzales and Manuel d'Almanza. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book*, 34, *p.* 410.]

July 16. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to the Duke of Schomberg to conduct the campaign in Ireland; or in his absence to the Count de Solms. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 111.]

July 16. Whitehall. Pass for John Richards and John Neale to go to Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 410]; and for Edward Nicholas to go to Guildford. *In the margin "not used."* [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 108.]

July 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Lieutenant-General Mackay. The King commands me to recommend to you the bearers hereof, Mr. Thomas Theaker, and Captain George Theaker, for your assistance in a design which they believe they can compass of surprising and seizing Dundee, which would be a very good service, and acceptable to his Majesty, and therefore, his Majesty would have you omit nothing on your part, fit for you to do, that may contribute to the good success of it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 34.]

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July 17. Whitehall. Additional Instructions to the Duke of Hamilton. 1. "You are to touch the Act already passed, abolishing episcopacy, as soon as you can," and to rescind all Acts inconsistent therewith.

2. You are to rescind the Act, passed in 1685, annexing "forefaultures" to the Crown.

3. By the third article of your instructions, dated the 4th instant, we impowered you to reduce all "forefaultures" passed against any of our subjects since January, 1665; now we authorise you to pass what Acts shall be proposed for reducing the same since the year 1660, if the Parliament desire it and to consent to what shall be proposed for making restitution of fines or composition for fines for such "forefaultures" as is expressed in the before-mentioned Article and you are to "touch" what the Act passes conformable to this.

4. You are to recommend to the Parliament to raise a supply of money for paying the army and supporting the Government according to your first instructions.

5. You are to allow the Parliament to choose committees for the three foregoing instructions, notwithstanding the committee of the articles be not appointed, as also for what concerns church government. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 67.]

July 17. Hampton Court. Commissions to Sir William Douglas of Cavers to be captain of a troop in Sir Thomas Levingston's regiment of dragoons. *Ibid.*, *p.* 68.]

July 17 Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Thomas Turner, of the office of clerk of the castle of Dover, and the office of clerk and registrar of the Courts of Chancery and Admiralty of the Cinque Ports. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 8.]

July 17. Whitehall. Warrant for Richard Povey to be receiver of the moneys directed for the use of those in the King's service at sea who shall fall sick or be wounded. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 108.]

July 17. Passes for Mrs. Grace Fulham, with three children, and Mrs Penelope Acland, with four children, to go to Edinburgh and return; granted upon the certificate of the Dean of Canterbury; for Mr, Abraham Saam, to go to his quarters at Chester [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 410]; for Gabriel de Bellevue, a French minister, and his son, to go to Holland; and for Mrs. Susanna Atwood, and her son William Atwood, and Mrs. Grace Walker, with her children, to go to Berwick-upon-Tweed and to return. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 108].

July 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The King recommends Captain William Helder and Lieutenant Humphry Sheers for employment in the fleet; they will produce to you testimonials of their services and the degrees they have passed through. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 128.]

July 18. Whitehaven. The same to the Mayor of Cambridge. I received your letter concerning Lieutenant Barnesly, who, being committed to prison on the informations of William Beale and Thomas Stevenson, both of Cambridge, ought not to be refused the benefit of the gaol delivery that he may be dealt with according to his offence. [*Ibid.*]

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July 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles, Duke of Bolton, praying to have "severall cottages in Hampshire Forrest," whereof he is warden. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 112.]

July 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William, Lord Paulet, praying for a grant of the revenues of the green wax, at a rent of 500*l.* a year. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

July 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Courtenay, esq., praying —in consideration of his steadfastness to protestantism—for a grant of post-groats at a yearly rent of 10*l.* Referred to the Treasury for a report as to what may be done for the petitioner's gratification, to which the King is "graciously disposed." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 113.]

July 18. Hampton Court. Warrant for the presentation of Henry Parkhurst, clerk, to the rectory of Middleton in Teesdale, in the bishopric of Durham, void by the death of —— Tully, clerk. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 20.]

July 18. Warrant to bring up "the master of the vessel and the woman that brought over letters from Ireland." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 410.]

July 18. Whitehall. Passes for John Baptista Vecelli and Joseph Como to go to Flanders; for Viscount Tarbet to go "the Bath"; for Mrs. Katherine and Mrs. Ann Tunstall, and Mr. Marmaduke Dalton, to go to Flanders; for Mr. Carstairs and Mr. Donlach to go to Holland; for the master of Cardross to go to Holland; for Mr. Stewart and Mr. Hussey to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 411.]

July 18. Whitehall. Warrant to search for and apprehend Nathaniel Wilmore for corresponding with the enemy. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 412.]

July 18. Warrant for a grant to Sir Oliver Boteler, of the advowson of the parish church of Teston in Kent. [*Ibid.*]

July $\frac{19}{29}$. The Princess Henrietta of Orange to the King, congratulating him upon his "gloirieuse victoire." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 63.]

July $\frac{19}{29}$. Zell. Sir W. D. Colt to [Mr. Warre]. The King's service abroad suffers much from the uncertainty of the passage of letters by sea. I am now pretty well recovered from a very troublesome distemper, occasioned, I believe, by the great heat and ill-drink on our journey. I had my audience on Wednesday with the Duke and Duchess. It is said that the Duke offers 8,000 men against the common enemy. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 8.]

July 19. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Bowber, clerk, stating that in 1675, he was presented to the vicarage of Barum (*sic*), in Devonshire, by Owen and Mary Feltham, the patrons, but that Jane, the elder sister of Mary, having passed her right of presentation, nevertheless unjustly presented one John Boyse, who was instituted accordingly. Upon this a *quare impedit* was brought against Boyse and a verdict and judgment had and entered, but he died before obtaining possession. Owen Feltham dying also, Mary and her trustees presented petitioner

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again within 6 months, but a *caveat* was entered by Mr. Sydenham, who had been evicted by law. The Bishop of Exeter refused to institute petitioner and gave institution to another. Since which a writ of admittance was directed to the now bishop commanding him to give institution to the petitioner, which he refuses to do. Petitioner prays for a royal mandate to the bishop commanding his obedience. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 48.]

July 19. Whitehall. Pass for Capt. Geo. Theaker and Mr. William Warner to go to Edinburgh. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 109.]

July 19. Hampton Court. Commissions to William Arrot to be lieutenant-colonel of the Earl of Leven's regiment of foot in Scotland [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 69]; to —— Bruce to be major of the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 70]; to Archibald Patoun to be captain of a company in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 71]; to Sir Robert Hamilton, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 72]; to Henry Verrier, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 73]; to William Hill, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 74]; to James Denholme, ditto [*Ibid.*,*p.* 75]; to John Fullerton, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 76]; and to James Bruce, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 77.]

July 20. The Earl of Monmouth to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Last night this letter was left at my house at nine o'clock by a man well horsed, who enquiring whether I was then at home told the porter he should not immediately deliver it, because he intended to come again himself in half an hour, but that in case he did not, that he should be sure to give it to my wife and let her know that it was of absolute necessity I should have it at night. However chimerical it may appear at first, the scheme is not wholly absurd. Some cautions will be taken here at night, and the King has given me orders to acquaint your lordship he would have all care taken to secure, if possible, Sir Timothy Raisby, [Tamworth Reresby ?] and all persons that are with him or might come afterwards to him, especially any like the persons described. Care will be taken here to send some to discover about Richmond Park, and I suppose you will not think it improper to send some very intelligent and honest man to the Isle of Wight, that may take notice of what strangers are there and secure such as can give no good account of themselves. My lord, towards night—though perhaps this may be all sham—I believe it will be of absolute necessity that the Mayor of London should have some intimation, such as may make him take some care towards the security of the city, for the least accident, should it be known that we had such advertisements, would lay very heavy upon us; but, my lord, it may be given to him late, so that your lordship may not be prevented by the noise that would inevitably be made in the city, in securing, if possible, those persons concerned. My lord, this is a case of so nice a nature that I could not but trouble your lordship with it. *Endorsed*—"The letter that occasioned the city alarm." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 110.]

Enclosing—Anonymous letter to the Earl of Monmouth, at Parson's Green. "I beseech your lordship let not this seem strange to you, I having a zeal for the King in being, and for the nation, though against the principles I imbibed, could not omit the giving your

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lordship this following advice. There being a designed attempt upon his Majesty on Sunday night next at Hampton Court, with force enough. Under pretence to save the Queen's person, they intend to carry her to the Isle of Wight to Cowes Castle where, they say, the Governors are for their purpose and expect French vessels for her transport into France; in the interim to fire the cities and suburbs in 40 places, and they have provided matters for that purpose. There are divers persons gone to the Island, and say they are sure of Sir Robert Holmes. They have concluded their rendezvous at Richmond Park. The matter is contrived by the lords in the Tower and the man who negociates is a Frenchman or Dutchman, that lives about, or near, Whitehall, a white-haired man, and a doctor, a thin man with a periwig, with one Sir Tamuth Raisby [Reresby]; they live about Salisbury Court. If they are secured there will be testimony enough against them." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 110(i).]

July 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Dover. Acknowledging the receipt of his letter of the 18th inst. with an affidavit and copies of passes. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 128.]

July 20. Whitehall. The same to the collector of Carlisle. Major Christian has acquainted me with the necessitous condition of Alexander Gordon, a prisoner in Carlisle. His Majesty is pleased to allow 6*d. per* day for the relief of such prisoners as have not the means to subsist themselves; you will therefore pay this poor man this amount, to be accounted from the beginning of this month. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 129.]

July 20. Whitehall. The same to Lord Fitzhardinge. I enclose you his Majesty's approbation of Mr. Long as one of your deputy lieutenants. I have not had an opportunity of knowing the King's pleasure as to raising volunteer companies in the counties, over and above the standing militia, which is likewise pressed for in some places, though I do not question, if the King thinks it for his service, that he will gratify your lordship. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 130.]

July 20. The same to Sir John Lanier. Mr. Edward Turner having entered into a security here that his brother, Charles Turner, will, upon obtaining his liberty, immediately come to London and render himself to me, you can order his release, if he is yet in the custody of any of your officers. [*Ibid.*]

July 20. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your letter of the 18th instant with an affidavit enclosed and the copies of three passes; it appears to me a question whether the persons to whom they were granted were the same, "that forced the vessel on shore in France; for, besides that there was a woman in the company of those that hired the ship, which is not mentioned in the passes, at least three of these were ordinary persons going to service in Colonel Fitzpatrick's regiment, who were not in a condition to hire a boat themselves, and, with a little care, might easily there have been discovered if they set up to pass for gentlemen. The mere production of a pass ought not to be sufficient where there are reasons to suppose that the person producing it is not the person intended by it. Where there are just causes of suspicion, it is less inconvenient to

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stop some, for so short a time as the return of a post, till information can be had than, to let all go without distinction, unless there is evident reason to the contrary." Besides one of the passes, that of Roye, bears date the 24th of the last month and therefore ought not to have been allowed, the eight days being past so long before. Therefore as I have and shall take the best care I can to have a good account of those to whom passes are granted, so all diligence must be used by you to detect the abuses that may be committed in transferring passes to those they were never intended for. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 131.]

July 20. Hampton Court. Warrant for appointing John Earl of Bath governor of the castle and garrison of Pendennis in Cornwall, and of the Islands of Scilly. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 24.]

July 20 Hampton Court. Warrant that the Commissioners of Prizes be under the immediate direction of the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 416.]

July 20. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Michael Burke, to go to Flanders or Holland; for Mr. Thomas Batchelor, to go to Chester; for William Bruce and James Clinton to go to Holland; for Mr. La Fosse, a painter employed by the Earl of Montagu to finish a piece of work, to land in any port of the kingdom and come thence to London; for Cornet Delamagne, in Lord Cavendish's regiment, to go to that regiment where quartered [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 413]; for Capt. George Theaker to go to Edinburgh [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 109]; and for Andrew and Peter L'Anglois, two brothers, and Charles Marr, three French distressed protestants, recommended by Dr. Le Feure, to embark at Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 110.]

July 21. The Camp at Timeongueville. Sir Robert Douglas to Mr. Vernon, at Whitehall. I beg you to introduce Barclay, the bearer, to the Earl of Shrewsbury and join with him to get William Brodie (who was left prisoner with the mutineers of our regiment) pardoned and set at liberty, for I am fully satisfied that he prevented the hurt which the fury of the soldiers might have done to me. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 111.]

July 21. Chester. Count de Solms to the King. Although Schomberg has written a full account of the condition in which matters were found at Chester, he considers it right to supply his Majesty with certain details as to the absence of boats and other necessaries and as to the number of soldiers. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 65.]

July 21. Chester. The Duke of Schomberg to the same. I deemed it proper to lose no time in sending to your Majesty an account of the state in which I found things on reaching this place. If ships arrive, I think you will not disapprove of my crossing to [Ireland] with Count de Solms and disembarking at Carrickfergus and Strangford, within reach of Londonderry, and where a junction can be made with the forces of Enniskillen and with Kirke. Thinks these movements may be carried out without the cognizance of the "Committee d'Ireland." The two squadrons can be sent after us to Ireland, which, with the eight companies of Refugee cavalry will aid us in withdrawing from the coast ("nous aideroit a pouvoir nous esloigner de la coste.")

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William Herbert's [Harboard's] man of business will not go into Ireland; it is to be feared that he will embarrass us in money matters as he has done in provisions. Does not believe the King will be well served in the Tower by Musgrave, depending wholly on Lord Dartmouth. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 65.]

July 21. Whitehall. Pass for Lord Dunbar, and for his servants—Mr. Bretton, Thomas Allen, Francis Flanser, postilion, Edward Barton, groom, and Henry Raines, footman, to go to Tunbridge and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 413.]

July 22. Chester. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Has sent by express, an account of the condition in which he found the men, provisions and ships. 20,000*l.* sterling has arrived here, sent by Mr. Harboard, for payment of the troops, and in three days' time 5,000*l.* more is expected for payment of the artillery; there yet remains to be made the payment for the freight ships, which Capt. Shales thought should be made in advance. Has been to view some of the vessels. Has written to Kirke to return to us a small war ship. The bearer of a packet from Kirke has arrived; the packet was opened in Scotland. Your Majesty will see by Kirke's letter and by the reports from Enniskillen that it is thought that if a force can be landed at Belchanan, (?) the enemy will be forced to raise the siege; the vessels should enter and disembark at Lough Ern. Suggests sending thither a force of 6,000 or 7,000 men. More ships are needed, for the French may be able to send some from Bellisle, Rochelle or Rochfort. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 66.]

July 22. Sir Charles Hedges to the same. In obedience to your Majesty's order of reference, upon the petition of Francisco de Moza, concerning a Portuguese ship, called the *Revenge*, I report as follows:—The ship being seen about the 15th of May, 1688, from the Island of Bermuda, Sir Robert Robinson, the governor, sent out his boat; and one of the company coming on shore, gave information that the ship had been a privateer or a sea rover, and that they were willing to submit, upon the King's pardon, which, not long before, had been granted. The governor thereupon, on the 16th, sent Captain Robinson, his son, on board, with the said pardon. They accepted the pardon but would not come into the harbour unless the governor would promise, under his hand, that they and their goods might be free, which he granted, not being able to force them in; whereupon, they came on shore and left the ship in a dangerous condition. On the 17th, Captain Robinson, with several men, went on board; they were forced to cut the cables and let the ship go to sea. In the morning she ran on the rocks, but at length was got safely into harbour. She was sent to England, under the command of Capt. Robinson, and brought into the Downs. The case thus stood till the 6th of June last, when Simon de Souza de Magalhaes, envoy of the King of Portugal, claimed that the said ship belonged to the subjects of his master and was taken by pirates in the river Plata, in the West Indies. The property of the said ship was, after witnesses were examined, declared, by the Court of Admiralty, to be in the Portuguese. I find by the proofs made by Sir Robert Holmes, that the said ship had two brass guns

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of about 1,200 lb., and two iron guns of about 300 lb., a suit of sails, and part of another suit, which were delivered to the governor of Bermuda, but ought to be restored to the proprietors. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 7.]

July 22. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of Joseph Clarke, Daniel Warner, and Edward Houghton, inhabitants of Ewelme in the county of Oxford, to be admitted "to your Majesty's almshouse in the said parish." Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 113.]

July 22. Hampton Court. Proclamation prohibiting the exportation of saltpetre. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 35.]

July 22. Hampton Court. Warrant to grant the office of kéeper of the King's mansion, in York, "to our manor there belonging," to Robert Waller, esq. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 414.]

July 22. Warrants to apprehend Giles Bignall, tailor, and Richard Sanders, upon suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices. [*Ibid., p.* 417.]

July 22. The like to search the house of —— Smith, "the Crown and Thistle," Princes Street, in St. Ann's Parish, and another house for concealed arms and ammunition. [*Ibid.*]

July 22. Hampton Court. Warrant for letters patent appointing Giles Duncombe Attorney General of the counties of Carmarthen, Pembroke, and Cardigan. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 110.]

July 22. Hampton Court. Warrant for letters patent appointing Littleton Powys second justice of the counties of Chester, Denbigh, Flint, and Montgomery. [*Ibid., p.* 111.]

July 23. The Earl of Macclesfield to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Having, according to my duty, presented a list of persons I conceived fit to serve his Majesty as judges and attornies in Wales, the Lord Nottingham, taking advantage of your lordship's and my own indisposition, has endeavoured that no person should serve in the place to which I had recommended. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 112.] *Enclosing*—

A list of persons recommended as Welsh judges and attornies. [*Ibid., No.* 112(i).]

July 23. / Aug. 2. Hampton Court. The Earl of Portland to the Duke of Schomberg. I have received yours from Chester of the 21st July, and approve your design of crossing [to Ireland] with Count de Solms, but it is not possible for me to tell you precisely where to disembark; this I leave to you, not having communicated your letter to the Committee of Ireland. As there are three French ships between England and Scotland, it is necessary that your escort consist of more than one war ship. Suggests equipping the two merchant ships of which he had written, and letting them form part of the escort; with that number he believes that Schomberg may hazard the passage. The other points in your letter will be answered by the Committee of Ireland. *Draft.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 67.]

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July 23. Tynemouth Castle. Captain Nicholson to Captain Henry Villiers. I had information of a Dunkirker with a Spanish pass, that lay here. She pretends to be assigned to Sir William Creagh, of Newcastle, merchant; but a master who saw her at Dunkirk says she belongs to the French King's subjects I have arrested her and set a guard on board. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 68.] *Annexing—*

(1) *An account of Sir William Creagh. He was mayor of Newcastle in* 1687, *and during his mayoralty "got the charter of the town clerk altered." He is a Roman Catholic and his brother is lord mayor of Dublin. About two months ago Sir William was questioned by the Custom House of Newcastle for lading a ship, wherein was a great deal of lead, for France. Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 68(i).]

(2) *The case of Captain Henry Villiers. His father used to have, sometimes, prizes granted him by Charles II.; there is now, as is supposed, a prize in his custody; which, if proved so to be by the Lords Commissioners for regulating prizes, he begs the King to bestow upon him. Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 68(ii).]

July 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Strangways "I have received yours of the 20th instant with the pretended Irish one enclosed." Some, of late, have been very busy dispersing papers of all sorts, as well written as printed, but it is hoped they will take warning by the example of those "who have been so unhappy as to be detected." [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 132.]

July 23 Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The King commands me to acquaint you that he would have you give order for making ready, with all speed, the 6 third-rate ships that are now fitting out. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 36.]

July 23. Whitehall. The same to Sir William Dolben. The Scotch prisoners that are to be tried will be at Bury on Friday, and I presume the witnesses will be there, too, by the 31st of this month, which was the latest time given to them for their coming thither. Mr. Attorney tells me that he spoke to Mr. Serjeant Thompson and Mr. Trevor to attend these trials, and, from him, I desire you to speak to them of it that they may stay to perform this service. [*Ibid.*]

July 23. / Aug. 2. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre, secretary to the Earl of Nottingham. Complains of not receiving news from England. Events on the continent; the surrender of Bonn, &c. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 12.]

July 23. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain John Grosvenor, showing that he commanded a troop of horse in the Marquis of Miremont's regiment; that there is 99*l.* 4*s.* of arrears remaining in Lord Ranelagh's hand; that he is 400*l.* out of pocket for "accoutring" the said troop; and that he was promised a troop in Col. Coy's regiment which was given to a stranger. Prays that the matter may be referred to the Commissioners for the Army. Referred accordingly. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 49.]

July 23. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles Chetwind, gent. showing that he had a freehold, by letters patent from King Charles II., worth 200*l.* per annum, which is lost by the removal of the court

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in the marches of Wales, and that he has applied for the office of surveyor of the green wax, Lord Herbert of Cherbury and Sir John Lowther of Whitehaven recommending him. Prays that a patent may pass for the said office, now void. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 49.]

July 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for the commutation of sentence of death, passed upon John Stent for murder, to that of transportation. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 415.]

July 23. Whitehall. Warrant for a pardon to "Titus Oates, clerk," from all punishment for the perjury which he has committed. [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 418.]

July 23. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent appointing Thomas Burton, of Gray's Inn, Chief Justice of the counties of Carnarvon, Anglesey, and Merioneth. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 115.]

July 23. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent appointing William Wogan, sergeant-at-law, Chief Justice of the counties of Carmarthen, Cardigan, and Pembroke. [*Ibid.*]

July 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King would have you send him an account whether the patents to the judges of Wales were granted during good behaviour, or during pleasure only, by King Charles I, and King Charles II. at that time when the judges in Westminster Hall had their patents granted to them during their good behaviour. I desire you will let me have your answer as soon as you can, that I may acquaint the King with it and receive his pleasure whether the judges of Wales shall be constituted during their good behaviour or during pleasure. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 37.]

July 24. Warrant to Lord Lucas to permit the Bishop of Salisbury to see and speak to Mr. Hooke in private. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 419.]

July 24. Passes or post-warrants for Mr. Claud Hamilton to go to Manchester; for Lord Shelburne, Richard Ingoldsby, and James Waller to go to Chester, or wherever the Duke of Schomberg shall embark; for Mr. Nicholas Daniell to go to Holland; for Mary Porter, Ellinor Johnson and Bridget Brooks to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 414]; for August Dageraht to go to Hamburg; for John Berard and Jacob Souris to go to Holland; for William Forbes, esq., and ——— St. Clair, gent., to go to Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 415]; for William Robinson, John Joliff, Francis Hill, Mary Cousin, William Webley, Joseph Michell, John Gentill, and Agatha Brett to go to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 417]; two blank passes delivered to Mr. Smith, Solicitor to the Treasury; for Mr. Andrew Scott and Mr. Tunstall to go to Wisbeach; for Lieut. George Hamilton, in the Scot's regiment of foot guards, to go to Ipswich or Harwich; and for Captain Morley, in the Duke of Bolton's regiment, to go to Liverpool or Plymouth. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 418.]

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July 25. License for Thomas Andrew, high sheriff of Northampton, to live out of that county during his term of office. [*King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 28.]

July 25. London. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Norfolk. As to the horses in the hands of disaffected people, the care of that is everywhere left to the lord lieutenant and justices, according to the Act. When you have seized what you think for his Majesty's service, be pleased to give notice of it, and you shall immediately be informed as to the disposal thereof. As to the coach horses, this must be left to your discretion. Upon receiving your second letter I sent to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, who promise that the commission shall be dispatched to you this evening; and I have given notice to your agent, Mr. Scott, who will be careful to send it, if it is ready. The objection against Sir Raphael Coats is that he is a Roman Catholic, and such have been refused in Spain; until you come to town, nothing can be done in it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 133.]

July 25. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. I should have replied to your letter sooner concerning the common council of your city, but have been waiting for the Attorney-General's report, to whom the matter is referred, which I hope will not be longer deferred since your Recorder, Mr. Serjeant Paulet, promises to attend him about it. When receive it I will forward it with all dispatch. [*Ibid.*]

July 25 Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is the King's pleasure that William Cooper, esquire, be forthwith constituted one of their Majesty's "councel in the laws" to hold the said office, with all emoluments during pleasure. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 134.]

July 25. Whitehall. Warrant for the presentation of Thomas Thache, clerk, M.A., to the rectory of St. Michael in the city of Gloucester, void by the death of Amos Jones. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 20.]

July 25. Whitehall. Order to execute the repairs at Calshot Castle, as set out in the report of the Ordnance office of 19 July instant which states that considerable repairs had lately been carried out at the castle to the value of at least 600*l.*, 150*l.* or 200*l.* will suffice to complete the repairs. In time of peace the castle has no garrison other than the gunners; in the time of war, a small garrison should be allowed, Southampton Water being commanded by the said castle and that water being infested with privateers. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 115.]

July 25. Warrant addressed to the Master of the Rolls for the appointment of William Petyt, of the Inner Temple, London, esquire, as keeper of the Records in the Tower. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 419.]

July 25. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Francis Marius to go to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 414]; for Jean la Crois to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 418]; and for Charles Mason, ensign in Col. Herbert's regiment, to go to Chester. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 420.]

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July 26. Chester. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Speculates as to the present position of Kirke, which he thinks may be the Isle of Inch. Has not been able to learn to what extent Londonderry is provisioned. If Kirke, "qui est un homme capricieux," has followed his orders our position is sure. If we find but two of his war ships, we can learn from their commanders where we can disembark, and where is the enemy's chief strength. Doubts if Londonderry can hold out. It has been necessary to shoot or hang deserters [here], and some Irish papists found in the regiments have been imprisoned. There is lack of cavalry and dragoons in Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest, No.* 69.]

July 26. The Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to the same. As you have left me to use my judgment as to the future course of action with regard to France, I think it better to hazard something than do nothing this campaign. Has had conference with the Marquis of Castanaga and the Elector of Brandenburg; promises of assistance made by them. Discusses the outlook on the continent. [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

July 26. The Duke of Lorraine to the Prince of Waldeck. Begs him to intercede with the States that he may have the use of the great artillery in order to bring "this siege" to a successful issue, as the season is far advanced and the affairs of Ireland may occupy the King of England, so that his descent on France may not be so advantageous as could be wished, and France would be able to withdraw the troops which she has for her defence on that side, and even part of what she has in Flanders; and seeing the Emperor engaged in the great siege of Mayence, she would be able to succour that place, to the loss of the campaign, and the ruin of the army: the Elector of Brandenburg should hold himself ready to unite with us in that event. *Copy.* [*Ibid. No.* 71.]

July 26. Aug. 5. Hanover. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Yesterday Sir William Colt had an audience with the Duke and Duchess, and the Princess of Hanover, who received him with every mark of respect due to him as his Majesty's envoy. This court is as splendid as any in Germany; genius and civility reign there. The Princess Sophia is "une personne incomparable, d'un esprit d'unne bonte, et d'un civilitè à charmer." She speaks all living languages as well as her own. Her beautiful daughter, the Princess, is both accomplished and agreeable. Describes his interview with Mons. de Groot. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 16.]

July 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Captain Vicars. The bearer, having given satisfactory proof of his intentions to serve the King, I desire you will receive him on board and land him in such part of Ireland as he shall propose. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 134.]

July 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Dr. Fielding, Being informed that one Thomas Buckley, whom you have committed to Newgate, for seditious words, has declared to Stephens, a shoemaker in Bedfordbury, that, if he may be set at liberty, he will discover divers persons who are now continually plotting against the Government, I desire you will send for the said Thomas Buckley, and

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take his examination; wherein, if he may deal fairly and clearly, he will take the surest method of recommending himself to the King's mercy and clemency. If upon his examination you find anything material, I pray send it to me, that I may acquaint the King with it. You may likewise, if you see cause, examine the said Stephens or any other person who can give you any information herein. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 37.]

July 26. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Considering the prospect of a foreign invasion, joined with a present rebellion, it is our will and pleasure that none of our subjects, especially those that are members of our Parliament or Council, officers of our army or any who are otherwise employed in public trust, do, upon any pretence whatsoever, withdraw themselves out of Scotland without leave obtained from us, as they will answer the contrary; excepting always such merchants and traders whose private affairs do require their attendance, to whom only, upon application, you are to grant passes. And we do hereby authorise you to make this our pleasure public either by proclamation or otherwise as you shall think fit that none may pretend ignorance. [*S.P. Dom. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 80.]

July 26. Hampton Court. Lord Melville to Sir John Dalrymple of Stair, the younger Advocate of Scotland. Authorising him to concur with the King's Commissioner concerning the instructions sent to the said Commissioner on the 4th instant. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 81.]

July 26. Hampton Court. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of General Postmaster over all posts in Scotland. [*Ibid.*]

July 26. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of "intendant or overseer of the invalids in Scotland" to Mr. Adam Frier, doctor of physic. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 85.]

July 26. Hampton Court. Commissions to ——— Erskine to be captain of the company in garrison in the Castle of Stirling [*Ibid.*, *p.* 84]; for —— Lumsden to be lieutenant-colonel of Lord Strathnaver's regiment of foot in Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 87]; and for George Wishart to be major of the same. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 88.]

July 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Michael Dobson praying to receive half-pay, as he lost his arms in the King's service. Referred to the Earl of Ranlegh, paymaster of the forces. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 114.]

July 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Christopher Davies, gentleman, praying for a grant of the office of Receiver General of Cornwall, Devon, and the city of Exeter. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

July 26. Whitehall. Warrant to bring to London, in custody, Mons. de la Fountaine [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 421.]

July 26. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Mr. James Dawson and one servant, to go to Horncastle and Chester; for Mr. Shardon to go to Holland; for Mr. Joseph Haskin Stiles, Mr. Benjamin Milner and Mr. Paul (?)

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D'Aranda, merchant, with his wife and child, ditto [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 420]; for Mr. John Myhill, Mr. John Fountaine and Mr. Richard Myhill to go to Chester; for James Harper to go to Scotland; and for Lieut.-General Douglas to go to West Chester. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 421.]

July 27. Chester. Count de Solms to the King. Difficulties generally as to the transport arrangements both for men and provisions. The tides in the river make matters more awkward. Wishes that Schomberg would display more activity in moving the troops and not evince so strong a preference for the French. He (Schomberg) tries his best to favour the French corps, under pretext of its great number of officers, and has seven or eight aide-de-camps, of whom only one can speak English. Refers favourably to the regiments of Herbert and Lisburn. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest, No.* 72.]

July 27. Chester. The Duke of Schomberg to the same. Count de Solms' letters will have shown you the state of affairs here with regard to the means of embarkation of the troops. The convoy despatched from Portsmouth will be of much assistance. Charges the Admiralty with want of energy. A letter received from France tells of great naval preparations at Brest; the French fleet, when augmented with ships from Toulon, will be superior to that of England and Holland and will offer battle. All this tells me that Mons de Sennelay (Seignelay) acts with more truth and zeal than Lord Carteret or Sir Thomas Lee; I much regret that your Majesty is so ill served. Hopes, to-morrow, to despatch a small vessel, well armed, to the Isle of Man to learn news of the war ships which Kirke should be sending back to us. If not able to learn any tidings of them, then the vessel is to go in search of them and to bring word as to the state of Londonderry, whether or not Kirke can succour it with the aid of troops of Enniskillen. [*Ibid., No.* 73.]

July 27. The Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to the same. Learns that Mons. Haguedom, has been to Marlborough making complaints against the writer from whom he stated he would take no insult. Complains generally of Haguedom's want of discipline. News from the allied generals. [*Ibid., No.* 74.]

July 27. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Bath, governor of Plymouth, to deliver to the king's messenger, Mons. De la Fountain, a French officer, a prisoner in his custody, and to bring him to London. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 421.]

July 27. Whitehall. Post-warrant for Mr. Orfeur, ensign in Sir Thomas Gower's regiment, to go to Leeds. [*Ibid.*]

July 29. Oxford. Dr. John Wallis to the Earl of Nottingham. It shall not be for want of pains or diligence, if I be not able to serve his Majesty and your lordship, but I find the letter written in a language that I do very little understand. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 113.]

July 29. Lord Montgomery to the same. The present income from my cousin Mostyn's estate is not able to supply the necessary expenses attending a prisoner in the Tower; besides he must maintain a wife

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and six children, and add to this that his stock in Wales has been all consumed by the forces which have been quartered there. Now, my lord, what he craves is not to be bailed but that you will be pleased that he may be either removed to another prison or to a messenger's house, where the expenses being easier he may at least be able to subsist. [*S.P. Dom. Will & Mary* 1, *No.* 114.]

July 29. 12 at night. G. H. to "Henry Nevill, esquire, to be left at Mr. Peirson's, a goldsmith, next the Queen's Head Tavern, Fleet Street." You must have missed my letters. "I wonder much at S. M.'s resolution of going where you speak of; the reasons too long. My service to B. M." *The following is apparently in sympathetic ink, and partly illegible.* "It is strange you should complain of my not writing for I wrote one or both posts each week. I may by chance be prevented, for time is little my own, except in bed. I am sorry I can receive no answer to those letters I sent you which were all writ over with ink. I sent you news that the Dutch and English fleets lie in Brest Road, so that the French cannot go out till Monsieur Tourville come. Pray if you can let . . . . . know that rather than quit their religion they must go to prison, let them know also that as poor as I am I do not doubt but I shall be able to send them something to keep them at least from starving. If they be in prison then let them not fear being there. The King was here to-day, he comes once at least a week, and after his coming, generally we are much revived, the particular reason I cannot tell, but I hope there is something in hand we cannot so easily see or else they would not be so merry, I think." [*Ibid., No.* 115.]

July 29. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Mary, wife of John Hammond, merchant, showing that, coming from Spain, he was taken prisoner by the French and carried to Brest; and praying that either Frances or Jaques Dioquell may be exchanged for him. The Commissioners for Exchange of Prisoners are to effect the exchange speedily. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 116.]

July 29. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. In pursuance of an address from the House of Lords, his Majesty permits the Books of Entry relating to your office to be inspected. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 134.]

July 30. Paris. —— Dueaila to Mons. Guzain "at his house in St. Martin's Lane, at the Two Goolding Balls, near Covent Garden." On business and domestic matters. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 116.]

July 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Fitzhardinge. I have received your letter of the 24th instant containing the names of the officers you design for the militia; before proposing them to the King, I give you a hint of what I have heard and seen in writing concerning one of these gentlemen who is a deputy-lieutenant and now to be made a colonel, I mean Sir Edward Philips, who has been represented as a person that the county is generally unwilling to serve under, remembering the severities used by him towards them, which were different from the carriage of all others who are in command. I know not how far these allegations can be relied on, but you cannot be

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unacquainted with the facts. Therefore, knowing to whom I write, I do with great freedom propose this to a second review, that a gentleman may not suffer in his reputation nor undeservedly, and as your lordship shall determine on second thoughts, I will not fail to receive the King's directions. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 135.]

July 30. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Beaumont. I have seen your letter of the 27th instant with an account of stopping those children which Jollif was carrying off, whom his wife had represented here as apprentices or workmen's children, whom if not suffered to go to their parents and relations, at Bruges, will be chargeable upon their parishes. It is well that you have discovered the abuse which these people will not be restrained from committing; more care shall be taken here to know those who are to have passes. I am glad to see, as the effect of your being "in that government," that such as can disgrace themselves here are yet liable to be discovered at Dover. I hope by the circumspection to be used in both places that these long-continued abuses may be finally suppressed. [*Ibid.*]

July 30. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Lanier. I have received your letter of the 23rd instant, and, as there will not want occasions for writing from a place of action, I hope you will find leisure to do it, that one may know what to depend upon, amidst so many alarms that may come from thence. "I shall acquaint the King with your desire to see those troops employed elsewhere in his Majesty's service." [*Ibid., p.* 136.]

July 30. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Villiers. Concerning Sir Edward Smith's horses, I can give no directions in these cases where so late a law prescribes by whom and in what manner the seizure shall be made; my pass is no exemption from the law. [*Ibid.*]

July 30. Hanover. Sir W. D. Colt to [Mr. Warre]. Nothing can be happier than we are here; all the court, and the ministers, showing us all imaginable kindness. Military preparations are being carried on. News from Hungary alarms us, which is that the Turks have come near Belgrade with 100,000 men. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 20.]

July 30. Hanover. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre; describes the movement of troops on the Continent. [*Ibid., p.* 22.]

July 30. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of John Green, architect and engraver, praying the benefit of an invention of a new way of hanging coaches. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 116.]

July 30. Hampton Court. Proceedings upon the petition of Isaac Marryott, who had received a grant of concealed lands, shewing that he is obstructed in the recovery of these lands. Referred to the Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas for report. [*Ibid., p.* 118.]

July 30. Hampton Court. Commission for ——— Cely to be lieutenant to Captain Rooke in Col. Charles Trelawny's regiment of foot. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 57.]

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July 30. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission appointing John, Earl of Bath, to be governor of Pendennis Castle and of the Scilly Isles. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 428.]

July 30. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant of the office of goldsmith to his Majesty, to Robert Vyner of the City of London, goldsmith. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 431.]

July 31. Gold and silver moneys coined at the Mint in the Tower from 31 July 1689 to 31 March following. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 117.]

July 31. Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Informs him that Bonn has been destroyed, and of the circumstances attending and following its destruction. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 75.]

July 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Coventry. By the same messenger that brought your letter of the 27th inst., I have sent to bring up Lunt, and one Stafford, whom the messenger says was committed at the same time, as a dangerous person, by whom further discoveries may be made of what is yet wanting, and by one of them conveyed away. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 137.]

July 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. It is his Majesty's pleasure that the yacht, which was appointed to carry Count de Mansfeld only to the men-of-war at the buoy of the Nore, should now transport him into Holland, and that the yacht should be convoyed by that man-of-war which was designed for the voyage. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 38.]

July 31. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Harris praying for half pay, he having lost the use of his limbs in the service. Referred to the Earl of Ranelagh. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 117.]

July 31. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Col. George Philips praying—in consideration of his sufferings "and early appearing for the protestant interest in Ireland"—he may have 400*l.* in Spanish coin. Referred to the Treasury to do what is fit for the petitioner's gratification, to which the King is disposed. [*Ibid.*]

July 31. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John, Lord Ossulston, showing that he purchased of the Earl of Arlington an estate in "Marybon Park," for 60 years, and praying to have 20 years added to his term by a new lease. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

July 31. Hampton Court. Commissions for Demanch Barnett to be second lieutenant in Col. Charles Trelawny's regiment of foot; and for Charles Byles to be ensign to Captain Carrell in the same. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 57.]

July 31. Passes for Don Gregorio Ofalon, Peter Ofalon, Margarite Roche and Henry Hameriche to go to Flanders; for George Morish, merchant, to go to Holland or Flanders; for Susanna Reneas and one child to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 423]; for Mons. Arnoif de Nieve.t to go to Holland; and for Lewis Castell, a French Protestant, ditto. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 116.]

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July . Hampton Court. Warrants for commissions for ——— Lundy to be captain of a company of foot in the Earl of Leven's regiment [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 78]; and for Charles Erskine, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 79.]

July . Caveat that no grant pass of the King's Remembrancer's Office in Ireland till notice be given to Mr. Richard Aldworth, the present patentee for life; a letter to him to be left at the post house at Reading. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 7.]

July . Caveat that no *mandamus* pass as to the school of Macclesfield till notice be given to Sir John Chicheley. [*Ibid.*]

July . Caveat that no pardon pass the seal or be granted to Samuel Rich, rector of Stalbridge, in the county of Dorset, till notice be given to the Bishop of Exeter, as he stands prosecuted for adultery in the Court of Arches. [*Ibid.*]

July . It is desired that no pardon in general nor any in particular may pass to John Abra or to others in this office, until Mr. Gay be heard what he has to offer against the passing of such pardon. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 8.]

Aug. 1. London. T. Ramsey [to the Earl of Shrewsbury]. The enclosed piece of ingenuity is humbly presented to your Lordship in the hope that, on account of the subject and of your loyalty, it will find kind acceptance. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 118.]

Aug. 1. Oxford. Dr. John Wallis to the Earl of Nottingham, I have met with better success than at first I could promise your lordship or myself and with more expedition than I could hope for. I herewith return you the letter written in French with an account, in words intelligible, of what was there in cipher. [*S.P., Ireland*, 352, *No.* 8.]

Aug. 1. Hampton Court. Royal assent to the election of Nicholas Stratford D.D., dean of St. Asaph, to the bishopric of Chester. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 21.]

Aug. 1. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. "Whereas we have seen a letter from William, Duke of Hamilton, our Commissioner, to George, Lord Melville, Secretary of State for Scotland, giving an account that Lord Dundee, with the rebels under his command, had attacked a party of our forces under command of Major-General Mackay, by which the said party did sustain considerable loss, which may perhaps animate and encourage any who are disaffected to join with the rebels against us, therefore, to prevent the same as much as may be and to reduce those rebels to their due obedience, we have thought fit to order some more troops to march from hence into Scotland, and to observe such orders as they shall, from time to time, receive from you; and in regard there may not be convenient prisons enough to secure what persons you have already taken or shall think fit to cause to be apprehended, we hereby authorise you to send what persons of quality you have in custody to be secured at our Tower of London." [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 89.]

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Aug. 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Clarke, judge-advocate of the Army, praying that as the forces are increased, he may have an addition to his pay. Referred to the Earl of Ranelagh. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 118.]

Aug. 1. Proceedings upon the petition of John Bartlett, praying for the office "of store keeper at the victualling," for which John Keeling is by law now no longer capable of executing. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 120.]

Aug. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to a messenger to receive the persons of John Lunt and Thomas Stafford prisoners in Coventry gaol. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 424.]

Aug. 1. Warrant to the keeper of Coventry gaol to deliver John Lunt and Thomas Stafford to the messenger. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Winchelsea, lord lieutenant of Kent, to appoint as deputy lieutenants:—Peregrine Bertie, esq., Sir John Austin, Sir Thomas Stiliard, and Sir George Chute, baronets, Sir Thomas Mordaunt, knt., Sir James Hayes, Philip Boteler, George Sayers, Edward Roper, Humphry Styles, Robert Austin, senior, Edward Styles and —— Baggens, esquires. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 1. Passes or post-warrants for Henry Allen, messenger, to go to Coventry; for Catharine Wilbems, wife of a soldier in Major-General Mackay's regiment, to go to Holland; for Mr. John Baptiste Vabois (*sic*) merchant to go to Dover and there to embark for France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 423]; and for John Dye and John Dervich, two Grecians, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 116.]

Aug. 2. Paris. R—— P—— to Patrick Kelly. At my arrival here I expected to find one of your letters which made me go purposely to the General Post Office from whence I went to Sir Daniel Arthur's house in hopes he had an order to pay me some money, but all to no purpose. I wrote to you from Dover that I was going on board that very evening, which was Monday, and the Thursday following at night I arrived in Paris, the rest of my company are stopped at Calais and the governor was pleased to pitch upon me to go with the express. My service to our friends in St. Martin's Lane. Tell my cousin her father-in-law is here; her husband went for Ireland and his brother Jack was killed before Derry [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 119.] *Enclosing*—

A slip of paper unsigned and undated, headed "a note to be given to Mr. Kelly at the Barber's Post, near Covent Garden, asking him to come here immediately or be pleased to send to Mr. Shackle at the Blew Anker." [*Ibid.*, *No.* 119 (i)].

Aug. 2. Office of Ordnance. C (?) Gardiner and Thomas Townsend to Sir Henry Goodrick. In reply to your letter, we have made a computation of all stores ammunition and guns. There are guns sufficient for the whole fleet, except for 10 ships; these consist of 220 demy cannon, 92 "culvering," 228 twelve-pounders, 164 sakers and 36 three-pounders. All the garrisons are well furnished with cannon, as is set out in a particular state of the ordnance furnished to the Duke of Schomberg on the

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19th June last. There is a number of spare cannon of several sizes, but not of the kind to answer the requirements of the said 10 ships.

There is in store, at the principal magazines, 5,500 barrels of powder for the service of the navy, and 7,727 tons are in contract to be delivered in four months' time. Describes the state of the store of small arms. There is iron shot, of all sorts in store and under contract, sufficient for the whole navy, as also a considerable quantity of "carrasses and granado shells"; those most needed are being provided.

There is a considerable quantity of musket shot in making, but money is needed for the source. There are 500 tents in store, and more in order which could be had if money be provided. There has not been any arms more than the following reported from the Custom House, viz.:—700 swords and 650 belts, 650 fusees, with their cartridges for Col. Calmott's (Caillemote's ?) regiment, and 400 swords in chests, for the use of the Duke of Schomberg's own regiment. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 76.] *Annexing—*

Letter from Sir Henry Goodrick, to which the foregoing is an answer, commencing, "His Majesty commands that there be computation forthwith made for his use, at 3 *o'clock, as near as may be, of all the stores and ammunition and guns, both great and small.* —2 *August* 1689." [*Ibid., No.* 76(i).]

Aug. 2. The Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Death of Mons. de Hofwage (?) and the appointment of his successor. The troops become very weak; billets have been distributed amongst the English and Germans to induce them to go towards France. Talmash speaks of desertions from his men. My condition is not of the best; various difficulties render my post a difficult one for a man of 70. [*Ibid., No.* 77.]

Aug. 2. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Elizabeth Powell, showing that her husband was a victualler in Exeter on the King's arrival there, that several soldiers were quartered upon him to the ruin of his family, that he is now a prisoner for debt, and praying relief. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 119.]

Aug. 2. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of "divers voluntiers" praying employment in the Army. Referred to the Lords Commissioners appointed to inspect the Army, to consider and place the petitioners in such vacant employments as they may be fit for. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Beaumont. I understand that Mr. Marceu, a French musician, to whom I lately granted a pass, by desire of the Queen's Vice-Chamberlain, is not only stopped at Dover, but also imprisoned. I am satisfied that there was good reason for stopping him, since under the name of a servant he would have carried away "one that was known to be otherwise," but I think he is punished sufficiently in knowing that, through his own fault, he is disappointed in his voyage; he may, therefore, be discharged and allowed to return to London. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 137.]

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Aug. 2. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King has been much importuned about "Welsh judges and attorney-generals," the pretenders to which places are now reduced to a less number, contained in the enclosed list. But before his Majesty determines concerning them, he directs that you, together with the Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, should consider the qualifications of these gentlemen, and what objections are against any of them, and signify to his Majesty who, in your opinion, are most deserving of the employment proposed. [*H.O. Letter Book*, 1, *p.* 138.]

List:—For Glamorgan, Brecon, Radnor, Mr. Edward Smith as judge Francis Lloyd as attorney; for Carmarthen, Pembroke, Cardigan, Mr. Slocum and Mr. Ireton, as judges; for Carnarvon, Anglesey, Merioneth, Mr. Hooke and Mr. Berkeley as judges; for Chester, Flint, Mr. Minshull as attorney; for Denbigh, Montgomery, Mr. Randall Wynne and Mr. Birch, as attornies. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 2. Warrant to the sheriff of Surrey for the reprieve of Daniel Barret, for the murder of ——— Selby. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 425.]

Aug. 2. Warrant to Lord Lucas to allow Mr. Cholmondely the liberty of the Tower. *Entered twice.* [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 2. Post-warrants for Mr. Crymes to go to Exeter and return. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 2. Hampton Court. Warrant for pardon of Edward Mathews convicted at the Old Bailey for the murder of Charles Trelawny, the King being informed that the deed was committed without premeditation, but only with a "hasty blow with a stick." [*Ibid.*, *p* 429.]

Aug. 3. H. Pughe to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Mr. Sandys Lechmere, a justice of the peace for Hereford, is a great countenancer of rogues, too busy, insolent and abusive to persons of quality, and a great scandal to the commission; the consequences may prove dreadful if he be not speedily superseded. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 120.]

Aug. 3. Gilbert Heathcote to Mr. Vernon. I send you a copy of the paper we delivered to Lord Delamere, signed by eighty merchants, planters, and traders in London that have concerns in Jamaica, desiring to have Colonel Beckford as governor there. He is well fitted for the employment and no one knows the French plantations harbours, and their strength better than he, and how to attack and root them out with greatest ease Also sends a certificate on behalf of Mr. Lloyd to get him a patent as Clerk of the Crown in Jamaica. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 121.]

Aug. 3. Hoylake. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Acknowledges his letter of 20 July. We have marched the infantry thus far. Yesterday there arrived at Hoylake the ship *Bonnaventure* sent by Rouck [Rooke ?], which brought news of the destruction of obstacles in the river of Londonderry, and the march of the enemy towards Kirke. This news he considers very uncertain. There are also arrived a number of cargo ships from London to embark troops. If the

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news from Londonderry is true, Count de Solms need not make so great a detour. Describes the steps taken for embarking the troops. Mackay has suffered some loss of men, Sir Joshua Allain, who is William Harboard's "l'homme d'affaire" gives us much trouble excusing himself from making any payments without Harboard's positive orders. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 78.]

Aug. 3. Advice as to movements of the Duke of Luxemburg's army. [*Ibid., No.* 79.]

Aug. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Duke of Schomberg. Captain Bennett having served the King very faithfully and being besides recommended to his favour by a considerable number of members of Parliament, he is pleased to direct you to put him at the head of the first vacant company in any regiment of foot designed for Ireland, for which he is to have the King's commission upon notice of the regiment he is placed in. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 129.]

Aug. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords and Commissioners of the Great Seal. I have acquainted the King with what you wrote to me on the 25th of July concerning the Welsh judges; whereupon his Majesty commanded me to tell you that, since they were constituted during pleasure by King Charles I. and King Charles II., at the time when the judges in Westminster had their places granted to them during their good behaviour, he thinks it best that the ancient practice should be still continued and would therefore have you give order that the patents be granted to them during their Majesties' pleasure. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 38.]

Aug. 3. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of Justice-General of the kingdom of Scotland to the Earl of Lothian. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 90.]

Aug. 3. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension to the Earl of Lothian as their Majesties' Justice-General of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 91.]

Aug. 3. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of principal sheriff of Edinburgh or Midlothian, to Robert, Earl of Lothian. [*Ibid., p.* 93.]

Aug. 3. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of Postmaster and keeper of the Letter Office of Aberdeen to Alexander Farquhar. [*Ibid., p.* 96.]

Aug. 3. Hampton Court. Commissions for Robert Jackson to be lieutenant-colonel of Lord Cardross' regiment of dragoons in Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 98]; and for James Murray to be lieutenant of a company of foot, of which David, Earl of Leven, is captain, in garrison in the Castle of Edinburgh. [*Ibid., p.* 99.]

Aug. 3. Passes to Franco Expalude and Henry Langdale to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 425.]

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Aug. 5. Versailles. Mons. de Louvois to the Duc de Duras. Intercepted letter in which are contained the French king's sentiments regarding the conduct of the campaign and news of the movements of the French ships. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 80.]

Aug. $\frac{5}{15}$ The Camp at Fountain l'Evesque. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Expressing displeasure at the overthrow of certain measures he had concerted which he fears will cause annoyance to the King. [*Ibid., No.* 81.]

Aug. 5. Hampton Court. Commission constituting as a Court of loadmanage for the Cinque Ports, Col. John Beaumont or his deputy, the mayors of Dover and Sandwich for the time being, the captain of Moats Bulwork, and his lieutenant, the captain of the Castle of Deal, and his lieutenant, the captain of Walmer Castle, and his lieutenant, the Captain of Sandown Castle, and his lieutenant, the clerk and registrar of Dover Castle, the serjeant of the Court of Admiralty of the Cinque Ports, Sir Basil Dixwell, bart., Sir James Oxenden, Sir Abraham Jacob, George Oxenden, Thomas Papillon, Walter Braemes, Wortley Wherwood, Richard Breton, Henry Marsh, Nathaniel Denew, Charles Bargrave, William Stokes, George West, John Bullock, Nicholas Cullen, senior, Edward Wivell, John Matson, and the Wardens of Dover and Deal for the time being, or any three or more of them. [*H.O. Admiralty, Vol.* 3, *p.* 9.]

Aug. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. Being informed that about 100 men lately taken out of the *Assistance* are to be sent and disposed of to the fleets, I am desired by Captain Townsend, of the *Nonesuch* prize, to intercede with you that he may have 15 or 20 of them, he finding more difficulty to get seamen than can be imagined. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 140.]

Aug. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the same. I send you enclosed a copy of a letter I received yesterday, from Mr. Addis, giving an account of what he had done in execution of the directions I sent him, by his Majesty's command, and of the contract he has made with Mr. John Power, commander of the *St. Peter*, of Bideford, that you may acquaint Mr. Addis how he may draw a bill for payment of the 100*l.* mentioned in his letter and likewise signify to him his Majesty's approbation of the contract he has made with the commander or owners of the said ship. [*Ibid., p.* 39.]

Aug. 5. Hampton Court. Warrants for grants of the office of *Custos Rotulorum*, of Carmarthenshire and Cardiganshire, to John, Earl of Carbery: of Montgomeryshire, to Henry, Lord Herbert of Cherbury; of Wilts, to Thomas, Viscount Weymouth; of Essex, to Aubrey, Earl of Oxford; and of Glamorgan and Pembroke, to Thomas, Earl of Pembroke. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 403.]

Aug. 5. Hampton Court. Warrant to affix the Privy Seal to the commission of Mr. Cox, envoy to the Swiss Cantons. [*Ibid., p.* 426.]

Aug. 5. Certificate of Mr. Hervaerts (?) departure as resident at Geneva. [*Ibid.*]

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Aug. 5. Whitehall. Warrant to appoint William Howell, clerk, master of the King's school at Ewelme, void by the death of Samuel Everard. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 427.]

Aug. 5. Post-warrant to Mr. Charles Campbell to go to Scotland on the King's service. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 426.]

Aug. 6. Theodore Jacobsen to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I have delivered to your lordship four letters to the King from the Hanse Towns of Lubeck, Bremen, Hamburg, and Dantzic, importing their humble intercession relating to the free trade of their ship-masters, burghers, and inhabitants, particularly as to the capture of several of their ships and cargos in his Majesty's ports by sundry frigates by reason of their coming from France or being bound thither. Since there has been no public prohibition of their trade with France, they conceive that their ships and goods ought to pass free. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 122.]

Aug. 6. Whitehall. Orders made at the Committee for Prisoners. That Mr. Riley, a prisoner, do take the oath of fidelity to their Majesties before a justice of the peace, and then be discharged. That Mr. Benson give a recognizance before a justice of the peace for the county of Lincoln to appear at the assizes there. That Mr. Vanderbank be bound over by Mr. Attorney-General to be tried at the Old Bailey. That Mr. Kemble be discharged. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 123.]

Aug. 6. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to John Boothe and George Boothe. gentlemen, of the offices of prothonotary, clerk of the crown, and keeper of the records of the counties of Chester and Flint. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 124.]

Aug. 6. The Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Has followed the injunction of the Elector of Brandenburg and advanced towards Marshal d'Humières. Progress of the campaign. Our generals Webbenum and Marlborough are expected to be taken by the French; the last has written to you, as to what has passed, from Dendermonde. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 82.]

Aug. 6. The Duke of Lorraine to the Prince of Waldeck. Wishes of the States with regard to the conduct of the campaign. *Copy.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 83.]

Aug. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Lucas. It is the King's pleasure is that Nathaniel Hooke, a prisoner in the Tower, be conveyed to Hampton Court to-morrow in safe custody, and that he attend there at my office till his Majesty's pleasure be signified. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 139.]

Aug. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir John Morgan praying to be Receiver-General of the chief rents for North and South Wales. Referred to the Treasury. The King, considering the past and present services of the petitioner, with the constant expense he is at in the government of Chester, without any establishment for the same, is inclined to gratify his request. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 120.]

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Aug. $\frac{6}{16}$. Hanover. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. His Highness is to leave next week and will march into Flanders. Plans for the movements of troops on the continent and news from Mayence. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 26.]

Aug. 6. Warrant for a grant to John Lewis, gent., of the office of chief master of the "rough game." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 427.]

Aug. 6. Passes or post-warrants for John Wright to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 426]; for Thomas Algood, one of the commissaries, to go from London to the North of England [*Ibid.*, *p.* 428]; for Mr. Francis Berry to go to Harwich and Holland; for Philibertus Hervaert, esq., appointed resident at Geneva, with his sister and niece, Susan and Louise, two maid servants, James Bero, his secretary, Cassan, his butler, Gerard, his valet de chambre, Frederique and Le Genevois, two lackies, La Fleur, a coachman, and Iaan Lalemar, his groom, to pass to Geneva [*Ibid.*, *p.* 429]; for Peter, Earl of Fingall, with Peter Renault, his tutor, and Maurice Fitzgerald, his servant, to go from Dover to France for the benefit of his health [*Ibid.*, *p.* 430]; and for John Riggs to go to New York, on the King's service. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 117.]

Aug. 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Mr. Agar, praying to have the office of surveyor-general of the King's woods and forests south of the Trent, as his kinsman, Thomas Agar, formerly held it. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 120.]

Aug. 7. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 1,000*l.* to George, Lord Melville, as their Majesty's sole and principal Secretary of State for the kingdom of Scotland. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 113.]

Aug. 7. Warrant for a grant of a yearly pension of 400*l.* to Sir John Dalrymple of Stair, the younger, as their Majesty's advocate for Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 115.]

Aug. 7. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of a yearly pension of 200*l.* sterling to Sir William Lockhart, advocate, as their Majesty's solicitor for Scotland; with 200*l.* more for public expenses and disbursements in their Majesty's service. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 116.]

Aug. 7. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of a yearly pension of 200*l.* to Sir Patrick Murray of Saltcoates, as one of the receivers, collectors and paymasters in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 118.]

Aug. 7. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the office of clerk to the criminal court of Scotland, to James Montgomery of Langshaw, the younger. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 119.]

Aug. 7. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of a yearly pension of 100*l.* to the same James, as holder of that office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 121.]

Aug. 7. Hampton Court. Commissions for Patrick Hume to be captain-lieutenant of Henry, Lord Cardross' troop in his Majesty's regiment of dragoons in Scotland [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 100]; for Thomas Crespigny to be cornet of the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 101]; for Robert

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Cathcart to be lieutenant of Robert Jackson's troop in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 102]; for Sir Alexander Hope to be captain of a troop in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 103]; for John Hume, of Nine Wells, to be captain of the same troop [*Ibid.*, *p.* 104]; for Thomas Turnbull to be lieutenant to Captain John Hume, of Nine Wells, in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 105]; for Samuel Veitch to be cornet of the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 106]; for Walter Lockhart to be captain of a troop in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 107]; for Alexander Stewart to be lieutenant of Captain Walter Lockhart's troop in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 108]; for James Mure to be captain of a troop in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 109]; for John Campbell to be lieutenant to Captain James Muir in the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 110]; for Robert Hunter to be aid-major of the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 111]; and for Charles Cunningham to be surgeon to the same. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 112.]

Aug. 8. Exeter. Nicholas Hill to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I arrived at Plymouth last night and delivered the packet according to your order to Mr. Addis, which he delivered to the captain of the *Portsmouth*, Captain St. Loe, who set sail the same night and will take care to deliver the packet to the Earl of Torrington according to your order. *Seal.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 125.]

Aug. 8. The Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to Mons. de Webbenum, lieutenant-general of the cavalry. Directions as to movements of the troops of the allied forces. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest, No.* 84.]

Aug. 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir James Long. I have your informations against Bayley, which I have laid before some of the lords of the council and communicated them to the Attorney-General. It is their opinion, and mine that you should secure Bayley to answer the accusations at the next assizes and bind over the accuser also to prosecute. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 140.]

Aug. 8. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. Shutworth (*sic*), now in Newgate, complains he is poor and wants means to maintain himself there; he says that some things belonging to him were taken away from him by Mr. Justice Carter in Wales and that other things, as some gold, a diamond ring, &c., were, upon his examination before you, left in the hands of some officer at Chester. I desire you would send me the particulars thereof and deliver them when called for by his order for his use and maintenance in prison. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 140.]

Aug. 8. Hampton Court. The same to the Duke of Schomberg. The King commands me to commend to you a son of Lord Mountjoy to have the first troop of horse that shall be vacant in the army designed for Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 141.]

Aug. 8. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council for Scotland. Whereas we have seen a letter dated the 3rd instant signed in our name by William, Duke of Hamilton, directed to George Lord Melville, our Secretary of State for Scotland, by which we perceive that you concur in Major-General Mackay's opinion in thinking it proper and convenient that an Act of Indemnity should be granted to such of the rebels in Scotland as shall lay down their arms and submit themselves to our government; and we, having good proof of your

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affection to our interest, and being confident that you will propose nothing to us but what is for the good of the country and our service, have thought fit hereby to authorise and require you to issue forth a proclamation of indemnity in our name to all those now in rebellion against us in that our kingdom, who shall, in a convenient time, prescribed by you, lay down their arms, submit themselves to and acknowledge our authority, take the oaths of allegiance to us and give security for their good behaviour for the future; referring also to you to make such exceptions to the aforesaid proclamation of indemnity as you shall judge reasonable in the present juncture of affairs. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 123.]

Aug. 8. Westminster. Lord Melville to the Earl of Cassillis. The King has commanded me to signify to you that it is his pleasure to allow your lordship to come to court, if you think it convenient, any time in this month or next, so as you may return to attend the Parliament in October. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 124.]

Aug. 8. Westminster. The same to the Earl of Lothian. I acquainted his Majesty how necessary it was that your lordship should repair hither in order to your going to the Bath or such other wells in England as your physicians advise you for your health, and his Majesty commanded me to signify to you that during this month and next he will dispense with your absence from this council. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 124.]

Aug. 8. Westminster. The same to Lord Ruthven. The King commands me to signify to you that it is his pleasure to allow you to come up to court, if you think it convenient, any time in this month or next, so as you return to attend the Parliament in October. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 125.]

Aug. 8. Westminster. The same to Sir John Dalrymple. His Majesty commands me to tell you that, notwithstanding any proclamation prohibiting persons of public trust or members of the Council absenting themselves from the kingdom, yet he allows you to come up to court at any time this month or next, so as you return to attend the Parliament in October next. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 125.]

Aug. 8. Westminster. The same to Sir Patrick Home of Polwarth. I told his Majesty of your inclinations to come hither, who commanded me to signify to you that he allows of your coming any time this month or next, so as you may return to the "down sitting" of the Parliament in October. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 126.]

Aug. 8. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to William Minshull, esq., of the office of Attorney-General of Chester and Flint. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 437.]

Aug. 8. Whitehall. Pass for Mr. Pierre Guillotin, merchant, to go from Dover to France. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 430.]

Aug. 8. Hampton Court. Warrant for letters patent to Christopher Matson and Nathaniel Matson for an invention for producing fowls out of eggs by artificial heat, by which, they say, the town will be supplied with sufficient partridges and pheasants at cheap rates, and the game

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belonging to gentlemen within 50 miles of London, preserved. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 116.]

Aug. 8. Hampton Court. Proclamation commanding Lord Griffin, Baron of Braybroke, to render himself to the House of Peers before the 20th of September next, if then sitting, or if not, to one of the Principal Secretaries of State [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 36.]

Aug. 9. Hoylake. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Your Majesty will be informed by the Earl of Portland, of the state in which we found things here; we have since used all diligence in embarking the troops. Mr. Sheils [Shales?] excuses the delay that has occurred. There is great want of money; I have advanced some to Sir Joshua Allen, who represents William Harboard, and he has made loans to Lovelace's, Hamilton's, and Beaumont's regiments, the last-named had just arrived from Whitehaven, bound for Scotland. The lieutenant-colonels of Lovelace's, Beaumont's, and Kingston's regiments beg your Majesty that if their colonels do not come to Ireland, they may have the command of the regiments. Has had conference with Captain Hobson (?) the oldest commander here, and the pilots, about moving the troops when embarked. The vessels with provisions intended for Londonderry and for Kirke could not sail this morning. There is great want of provisions for the ships of war; their store is almost finished, and they have taken of ours. I leave two ships of war to protect the fifty merchants who remain here. Suggests sending troops from Scotland into Ireland, as by strengthening the force in the latter country, the war will be the sooner concluded. I have been forced to give 500 muskets to almost every regiment, both because the new soldiers break them, and because they are so badly made. Suspects Henry Shales, who inspected them, of taking bribes to pass insufficient weapons.

August 10. As to the capabilities of Ireland for supporting a large army. *Signed. Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 85.]

Aug. 9. Details of a project for carrying on the campaign during the previous July that were confided by the Prince of Waldeck to Lieut. De Tolpffer (?). [*Ibid.*, *No.* 86.]

Aug. 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Sir William Dolben. Upon the petition of the gentlemen of Suffolk, and what you said to the King, touching the Scotch prisoners condemned at Bury of high treason, his Majesty is graciously inclined to extend his mercy to them, and has therefore commanded me to let you know that he would have you give order for suspending the execution of the sentence of death passed upon them, until he shall signify his further pleasure. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 39.]

Aug. 9. Whitehall. Warrant for grant of office of water-bailiff of the river Severn *alias* "Severn Sea," to Charles, Earl of Monmouth. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 432.]

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Aug. 9. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to John Hook, of Gray's Inn, esq., of the office of second justice of Carnarvon, Anglesey, and Merioneth. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 435.]

Aug. 9. The like to John Smith, of the Middle Temple, esq., of the office of second justice of Glamorgan, Brecon, and Radnor. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 9. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Francis Lloyd of the office of Attorney-General for the counties of Glamorgan, Brecknock, and Radnor. [*Ibid., pp.* 436 and 438.]

Aug. 9. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant confirming the appointment by the Commissioners of the Admiralty, of the Earl of Torrington as Vice-Admiral and Lieutenant of the Admiralty of England. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 13.]

Aug. 10. Chichester. Francis Goater, mayor of Chichester, to the Earl of Dorset and Middlesex. Last night the enclosed paper was directed in a letter from an unknown person to Mrs. Burry at the Dolphin Coffee House in Chichester; to prevent its being exposed to public view she immediately sent it to me: when I found it a great invective tending to the disturbance of the present Government, I thought it my duty to send it to your lordship. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 126.] *Enclosing—*

A printed letter "from a friend in the city to a friend in the country" against the Government [*Ibid., No.* 126(i).]

Aug. 10. Edinburgh. Sir James Montgomery to Mr. Ferguson. Our Parliament is adjourned till the 8th of October and a proclamation issued commanding all Privy Councillors and officers in the army to stay within the kingdom, except they have liberty from the King himself. This is calculated to put a stop to any account the King may have of affairs kept from some persons. But there is none so highly concerned in it as myself, for having struggled hard in Parliament against the sinister designs of some persons, which they had masked under a pretence of the King's service, though visibly tending to the contrary, I am become the object of all their malice. I should not much value that if I were not made to understand that by misrepresenting and misconstructing my actions, they are labouring to ruin me in the King's opinion. As I engaged in the King's undertaking before he left Holland, out of affection to my distressed country, so I acted my part in all the meetings, transactions, and settlements that followed upon it, purely from a sense of gratitude for our deliverance, and with an eye to that happiness and tranquillity we are assuredly to enjoy under the shade of his Majesty's government.

Without any project or particular design of my own, I have taken the same measures in the last sessions of Parliament and laboured hard to have liberty secured, and grievances redressed, as they were proposed by the Estates of this kingdom, with the tender of the Crown; because I judged it the only and the proper way inviolably to bind the affections and hearts of the people to his Majesty and so consequently secure him on his throne. I shall be sorry if myself and other good patriots, who

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designed the same, be mistaken by the King on that score by any false representations he may get of the procedure of Parliament. I should be glad once again to have the honour to kiss his hands that I may surely, without reserve, let him know truly and without disguise the position of affairs here. I have written to the King to that effect, desiring liberty to come up, and you have the letter here inclosed. I know no Scotchman to transmit it to about the court, to deliver it; they are banded against us and I have no acquaintance amongst the English. So I have committed it to you to take your own way and to put it into whose hands you please to deliver it. The letter contains nothing but a short vindication of our proceedings and a desire to allow me to come up. You have dexterity enough to manage this, you have affection enough to your country, yea and to the King's service, to make you undertake it, and you have good and great acquaintances enough whereby to effect it. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 127.]

Aug. 10. Penryn. Sidney Bligh to James Vernon. Trade being at a stand still here I have a mind to employ myself some other way, which, with your favour, I suppose may not be difficult. I desire either a riding surveyor's place or that of a "supervisor of the blowing houses." *Seal of arms.* [*Ibid., No.* 128.]

Aug. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. The Duke of Bolton, as he has been concerned to make his kinsman Mr. St. John one of the sub-commissioners for Prizes for Hampshire, has also moved the King, on behalf of Sir Charles Raleigh, and the said Mr. St. John, that the prizes may be brought to Southampton, and be kept there, instead of to Portsmouth, for which he gives many reasons of health, and advantage to the King in the sale of goods. His Majesty would have you consider these, and give such orders therein as shall appear most conducive to the service, after hearing what may be alleged on both sides. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 141.]

Aug. 10. Whitehall. The same to Lord Lucas. His Majesty desires that Nathaniel Hooke, a prisoner in the Tower, be sent in custody to Hampton Court tomorrow morning. *See before under date of August* 6. [*Ibid., p.* 142.]

Aug. 10. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Hertford. I acknowledge the receipt of the libel; "if the party that sent it cannot be found out in those parts, I will endeavour to discover him here." [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 10. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. Major Matthews, who is detained at Chester, complains of the inconveniency and loathsomeness of the place he is confined in. His Majesty's intention is that he be confined, but that he have such usage as is fitting, with some regard to his quality. If there be any just cause of complaint I doubt not but you will redress it. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 10. Oxford. Dr. John Wallis to the Earl of Nottingham. In my last I signified that what I then sent deciphered was somewhat imperfect, though I do not find there were any mistakes therein;

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but by some conjectures since made, and wherein I think I am not mistaken, I have endeavoured to render it somewhat more clear, in the following transcript. I doubt if I shall be able to give so good an account of the other letter (to the French King) for that it is a hard cipher, and I am not well master of the language. I have spent most of my time ever since, about it, but cannot yet see my way to break in upon it.

Explanation of the cipher.—I had also the honour in my last letter to inform you of many things stored up in my memory. Five hundred bombs have been reduced to six score (?). But I have to-day other things to tell you. It is clear, that those in whom the King relies for details and who are all protestants or English newly converted, must not be held in much esteem.

Orders were given for a supply of cannon and ammunition for our use, but they took care that, of the two cannon sent, only one would take the cannon balls supplied and the fuses were nearly worn out. Nothing I could do could then remedy these defects. I have made the general officers understand the state of affairs so that they may inform the King, their master, of it, who I am sure will deal with those who are guilty in a fitting manner; the mistake cannot have been committed in ignorance, because, in my despatch, on which they acted, I particularly directed that the shot was to be tried, to see if it fitted the cannon and the fuses that they fitted the touch holes. If like faults are committed with impunity one cannot feel the same ardour for King [James's] service; shame will be acquired and reputation lost, if the public simply hear that supplies have been sent to the camp without being also told that those supplies were useless. It will be thought that nothing was done, because the officers were incapable. I am on my metal, not being willing to be overcome by their malice. Indeed I owe to them an invention, of which I should never have dreamed but for the extremity in which I found myself. I have covered the fuses with thick copper so that they answered almost as well as fuses properly proportioned.

I am assured that Lord Tyrconnel's discontent, as much as his indisposition, has contributed to his retirement to a country house, and that he has even himself explained that he does not wish any more to mix himself in another "affaire." It is alleged that the Duke [of Berwick?] is always too much disposed to effect savings, even to the prejudice of the service, while Tyrconnel has ever been diffident in suggesting even indispensable requirements, finding in his Majesty a resistance almost insurmountable to spending his money on things absolutely necessary. It is also alleged that this opinion originated with Lord Melfort, who desired to see things thus. . . . If those here discover this, Lord Melfort, who is already not too agreeable to them, would become very odious indeed, which would be unfair. I do not know anything positive against him. One may, however, bear in mind that both he and his brother were, at first, very zealous persons, that afterwards, under the late King of England, they became most ardent episcopalians, and that, lastly, under this one, they were made

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converts. The history of Sunderland is not advantageous to the new converts. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 10.]

Aug. 10. Warrant to Henry Harris to make a "new silver seal, to be used for our Privy Seal, according to the draught above drawn." [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 460.]

Aug. 10. Whitehall. Pass for John Steyart, a Dutchman, to go to Holland; and post-warrant for Thomas Rowe to go to Kendal in Westmoreland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 118.]

Aug. 11. Sir John Lowther to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. At my coming three days ago into this country, I found all the forces in Carlisle ready to march out, which they have since done. Col. Langstone, by the King's command, is gone into Scotland, and Sir George St. George's regiment to Keswick in Cumberland, there to stay till further order, by command of the Duke of Schomberg. I could not think it was his Majesty's intention, or for his service, to have the town totally abandoned, and have therefore got the townsmen to keep guard till it is possible for me to draw part of the militia into it for its security, which is extremely necessary by reason of the disturbances in Scotland and the disaffection of the Borders, which are strangely poisoned by those who your lordship knows laid so long there for that purpose. The militia is but inconsiderable and from want of military skill is not much to be depended upon, and we cannot keep them long together upon the country's charge. I beg you therefore to move the King to send some troops for the security of the place, as well as arms and ammunition, of which it is at present utterly destitute. It was formerly thought a proper place for a magazine. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 129.]

Aug. 11. Dover. Col. John Beaumont to Dr. Wynne. I received yours at Hastings, whither I had gone to find out a fit man to stand for that place, a writ being sent down for the election of a new member in the place of Lord Ashburnham, removed. They did me the honour to choose me, though I had the opposition of the sheriff and the country gentry. I have taken security for the men who came with the children; two that were not secured are gone. The children and the maid are still here not under restraint. *Endorsed*—"about the Popish children stopped." *Portion of seal.* [*Ibid., No.* 130.]

Aug. 11. Dover Gaol. J.[ohn] Jolley to Mrs. Mary Jolley, in Drury Lane. Last night, about ten, the governor and mayor sent for us and said that, if we could give security we would render ourselves to Lord Shrewsbury, we could have liberty to go to London, and, we having no friends, they took our bonds one for another. I pray you prepare what friends you think most fit to wait on Lord Shrewsbury; but I think I had better not leave the children, for "miss," as you partly know, is unruly, though you know but little of her. *Endorsed* "William Webbe, Mrs. Mary Carson, Mr. John Jolley, 1 bond, John Gentile." [*Ibid., No.* 131.]

Aug. 11. [Hoylake.] The Duke of Schomberg to the King. I spent yesterday in visiting the ships; Shales has not sent in them all the provisions that he promised; he has failed particularly as to water and beer, which

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he was desired to furnish. The arrangements made about embarking the soldiers are bad; Shales has deceived us in several ways and generally mismanaged things. Unless things are managed better in the future, the same accident will happen that occurred at the departure of the regiments destined by your Majesty for the relief of Londonderry. I think that those who suspected Shales of not acting in good faith have reasons for their suspicions: he is said to have been a papist not long since. Suggests that Lord Faucouberg one of the "Comite d' Irlande" should overlook the future arrangements. Proposes to sail for Ramsey Bay, in the Isle of Man, to-morrow. There is great lack of general officers: in the event of a surprise by the enemy, suggests Mons. de la Melonniere as brigadier. Learns that his (the writer's) son, Count de Schomberg, is to be sent to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 87.]

Aug. 11. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Thomas Webb, esq., of the office of Attorney-General of Carnarvon, Anglesey and Merioneth. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 439.]

Aug. 11. Whitehall. Warrant for grant to Randolph Wynne, esq., of the office of Attorney-General of Denbigh and Montgomery. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 12. The Camp at Nivelles. The Prince of Waldeck to the Duke of Lorraine. Movement of the troops under his command and opinion on future operations. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 88.]

Aug. 12. Nivelles. The same to the King. The Marquis de Castanga has endeavoured to persuade me to go with the States' army into Flanders; he has acted similarly with regard to Generals Alva, Webbenum, and Marlborough. Opinions as to future operations. [*Ibid., No.* 89.]

Aug. 12. Passes and post-warrants for Sir Nicholas Atchinson and one servant to go to Edinburgh or Glasgow; for Emanuel How, esq., to go to Colnbrook and Windsor [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 434.]; for Jane Meyer to embark for Holland [*Ibid., p.* 436]; and for Andrew Griffith to go to Chester or Liverpool. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 118.]

Aug. 13. Bangor. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Describes the departure of the troops from Hoylake and their arrival in the river of Carrickfergus. The enemy has a tolerably large force of cavalry, but they have suffered loss in their infantry: that of Enniskillen having been killed in a battle of which your Majesty will learn by way of Scotland. Captain Rouck [Rooke ?], whom I met in Ireland, told me he had sent an account of it to the Duke of Hamilton. I believe your Majesty will approve of strict order being taken that the soldiers do not pillage as they desire to do. The inhabitants are all protestants ("gens de la religion"), mostly "presbiteriens"; there are few papists. Is glad to learn that the cavalry regiment, composed of French refugee officers, has given the King satisfaction; it might have been found better still had he not been obliged to leave it. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 90.]

Aug. $\frac{13}{23}$. Hanover. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Events and movement of troops on the Continent. [*H.O. Regencies, p.* 30.]

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Aug. 13. Whitehall. Post-warrant for Henry Hills to go to Dorchester. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 119.]

Aug. 14. Fragment of letter, stated to have been taken out of Mr. Dennis Macarty's pocket, September 2, 1689, by Francis Clarke, messenger. The letter desires the person to whom it is sent not to come down that night, because the ship "falls down the river tomorrow, and the master says he will not get to Gravesend till Friday." *Endorsed*—"the *Thomas and Sarah*, John Reed, master, at Shadwell Dock for Newcastle." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 132.]

Aug. 14. Pass to the Sieur de Fontenay to go from Dover to France, he being exchanged for ——— [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 436.]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of receiver of the old crown rents, customs and foreign excise &c. of Scotland to Sir Patrick Murray. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 126.]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of their Majesties "Coinzie-house" and Mint in Scotland to ——— Denholme of Westsheills. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 128.]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension to the same ——— Denholme for the discharge of the said office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 129.]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Blank commission for a commissary of the train of artillery. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 131.]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Blank commission for a surgeon of the company in garrison in the castle of Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 132.]

Aug. 15. Whitehall. Reference to the Lords of the Treasury, of a report by Lord Ranelagh on the petition of the Marquis de Miremont, and the several captains of his regiment of horse, lately disbanded, asking to be reimbursed the money laid out by them for the clothing and accoutrements for the said regiment. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 120.]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Pardon for Nicholas Sonnet, sentenced to death at the Cambridge assizes for robbing on the highway. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a Treasury warrant to pay to Charles, Viscount Dursley, envoy-extraordinary to the States General, 500*l.* for his equipage and 5*l.* a day for his ordinary entertainment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 121.]

Aug. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Earl of Chesterfield and Sir William Stanhope, not to deliver any "fee deer" to the verderers or any other officers of the chace of Thorny Woods, in the Forest of Sherwood, until it shall have been sufficiently stocked. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 123.]

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Aug. 16. Bangor. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Has asked the Duke of Hamilton to inform the King of the means by which the troops may come to Ireland by way of Scotland; by all that can be learnt, it is the quickest way, and will henceforth be more practicable than Hoylake. Asks the King to send his orders into Scotland for most of the troops there to come to Ireland, and to replace them by others; without this being done he cannot advance. He has not 6,000 infantry with him and is in need of horse. Has had to send Wharton's regiment to occupy Belfast. This place [Bangor] is convenient for vessels of 24 tons burthen, which can come up the river to within two miles of it. The enemy has sent a larger force to garrison Carrickfergus, but it will not be able to hold out if we have more troops and cavalry. From what can be learnt by the discourse of Brigadier Maxuel [Maxwell?] the enemy will muster towards Charlemont and King James is resolved to give battle. They expect aid from France in a few days, and will encamp within four miles of Dublin. As for provisions, they are to be obtained here cheap, the beef that Harboard has had salted is not necessary here and may be employed for victualling the fleet which will soon need supplies. As for ourselves, supplies should be sent before the end of September, for after that date the captains of the war ships say that navigation in St. George's channel becomes very difficult; they [the ships] can be employed on the coast of Dublin and Kinsale for hindering intercourse between the French King and King James. I hopes the King will send some old troops amongst the reinforcements: it would be too long a story to tell of all the difficulties that have arisen with those newly raised, and the little care shown by the colonels and other officers to their charges. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 91.]

Aug. $\frac{16}{26}$ Hanover. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Continental news. From France we learn that a fortnight ago the French fleet had orders to look for ours and to give it battle; the papists at this court spread this news with confidence, but I see now that they begin to talk less high. It is rumoured here that General Mackay has been defeated in Scotland. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 36.]

Aug. 16. Whitehall. Post-warrant to Cornet Edward Bedford to go to Edinburgh and return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant* 34, *p.* 437.]

Aug. 17. "Redriff" [Rotherhithe?] Sir William Warren to James Vernon, secretary to Lord Shrewsbury or to Dr. Wynne. His Majesty's letter to such as preserve the peace in Massachusetts Bay, is going by the ship *America*, Capt. John Holmes. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 133.]

Aug. 17. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Ripon. I received an information, taken before you, about Charles Turnor, who is in custody and I shall acquaint his Majesty with it; meanwhile you will keep him in safe custody. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 143.]

Aug. 17. Whitehall. The same to the Vice-Chamberlain. Mr. Blathwait has received orders to direct part of Colonel Hamilton's regiment, which is now at or about Chester, to march forthwith for Carlisle. [*Ibid.*]

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Aug. 17. Whitehall. Unfinished entry respecting a petition of Vice-Chamberlain How as to a fair. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 121.]

Aug. 17. Whitehall. Passes for Captain Chidley Coote to go to Chester and embark for Ireland, and for John Trenet to embark for Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 437.]

Aug. 18. Rynsdorp. Count Flodrop to the Prince of Waldeck, as to movements of the troops. Has not yet been able to go in the direction of Andernach. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 92.]

Aug. 18. Marshen au Pont. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Movements of the allied, and the enemy's forces. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 93.]

Aug. 18. Hampton Court. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Trelawny. His Majesty commands that you forthwith repair to Chester to superintend the embarkation of troops for Ireland. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 143.]

Aug. 18. Hampton Court. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Directing them to allow on the account of the *Nonsuch*, otherwise *Swift* prize, commanded by Capt. Townesend, 15 men sent on board. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 18.]

Aug. 18. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Marmaduke Gibbs, esq., to be puisne justice of the counties of Carmarthen, Pembroke and Cardigan. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 438.]

Aug. 18. Whitehall. Pass for Ann, Countess of Sunderland, Elizabeth, Countess of Clancarty, Charles, Lord Spencer, Peter Flournois, gent, Charles Trimnell, chaplain, Ralph Onion, Joseph Justens, William Ousley, Rowland Richards, Ann Delosse, Francis Lyne, Elizabeth Solmon, Abigail Dunkley and Susannah Farmer, their servants, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 440.]

Aug. 19. Sir John Guise to Owen Wynne. I am satisfied of the integrity of the bearer, Henry Hills, who is recommended to you by Mr. Hughes for the re-enjoyment of his office of messenger to the press. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 134.]

Aug. 19. Whitehall. Proceedings at the Committee for Prisoners. Orders that Mr. Turnor be sent from Ripon to London; that a letter be sent to the Mayor of Chester, directing that the prisoners committed by the Lords of the Council to the common gaol may have all the civil usage consistent with their safe keeping, complaint having been made of their hard usage and condition; that a report be made to his Majesty's Council that they think 6*d.* a day too much to be allowed to prisoners, and that 4*d.* a day is sufficient; that Mr. Fergus Grahame, prisoner at Dover, be sent to town; and that Mr. Gabriel Cox be bailed in 1,000*l.* (the securities, Mr. John Tissar in 500*l.* and Mr. Edward Bickerstaff in 500*l.*) to appear the first day of next term at the King's Bench. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 135.]

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Aug 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Torrington. Directing him to send to London and there to set at liberty on parole, the Sieurs de Vignolle and de Forest, prisoners on board the *Greenwich*. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 18.]

Aug. 19. Whitehall. The same to Earl of Bath. His Majesty's pleasure is that the Sieur de Valeè, a lieutenant, and now a prisoner at Plymouth, be set at liberty and suffered to continue there upon parole: and also that Mons Bruse, also a prisoner at Plymouth, be set at liberty, and permitted to come up to London. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 143.]

Aug. 19. Proceedings upon the petition of William Speke, gent, stating that he has lost considerably for asserting the protestant religion and interest of the nation. Prays a patent for the office of "surveyor of the act of navigation." Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 50.]

Aug. 19. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the Corporation of London, "on behalf of the poor children of Christ's Hospital," praying for an account of 7,500*l.*, given to the said children by John Kendrick. The King, "out of his regard to the welfare of Christ's Hospital," refers the examination of the matter to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 121.]

Aug. 20. Resolution of the House of Commons that the King be pleased give some preferment to their chaplain, in consideration of his service and diligent attendance. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 136.]

Aug. 20. Charles Turnor to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I was coming up from Kelso, according to your lordship's order, but near York, by the information of a runaway indigent fellow, I was kept a prisoner by Col. Villiers, and this day was delivered to the civil magistracy. I humbly beg you will order me up to London with the informer, that common justice may be done to me. *Seal.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 137.]

Aug. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Chester. The Lords of the Council direct that the prisoners committed by them to the common gaol of Chester may have all civil usage, consistent with safe custody; some of them have complained of ill usage, and this will avoid complaints for the future. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 144.]

Aug. 20. Proceedings upon the petition of Philip Renda, stating that he served, under Charles I., as a soldier in Major Chapman's troop, in the Earl of Carnarvon's regiment of horse, and in the Earl of Macclesfield's own troop, and in the Queen's regiment of foot at Oxford; that he was taken prisoner and sold to France, but getting off, "served the Lord Francis till he was killed at Kingston." Prays to be an almsman of Peterborough Cathedral. Referred to the Dean thereof. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 50.]

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Aug. 20. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Bullock—for what, it does not appear—stating, "he, having attempted to accomplish a certain engine, which, by one hand, shall perform whatever may be effected by accidental force of wind, water, horses, and so composed in regular order of motion that it admits few of those obstructions, which all other operations dependent upon tides, place, or winds are liable unto, but is moveable, and may be wrought by sea or land, faster or slower, as the agent pleases; the weightier load it bears, the steadier are its operations." Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 51.]

Aug. 20. Whitehall. Warrant to ——— to go to Dover, and to receive Mr. Grahme into custody. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 442.]

Aug. 20. The like to go to Ripon, and receive Charles Turnor into custody. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 20. Passes for Mary White and Mary Innes, and their children, to go to Harwich and embark for Holland, and to return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 437]; and for Thomas Cox, envoy to the Swiss Cantons, to go there with Nathaniel Cox, Elias Bouhereau, Solomon Delaleu, and Daniel Guenard. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 447.]

Aug. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Major Wildman. The Committee for Ireland direct that you immediately secure a packet boat for carrying letters and passengers between Carrickfergus in Ireland, and Liverpool, Neston, and Mostyn, as you shall find most convenient. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 144.]

Aug. 21. Whitehall. The King to the Corporation of Colchester. We are informed that the town is an ancient corporation, but that by the surrender of former charters, it cannot now have its mayor, recorder, justices of the peace, and other magistrates, except by a charter of the late King James, and that those who ought to have chosen such magistrates and officers to places now void have neglected to act, and that divers of those appointed under the said late charter refuse to act, whereby the peace of the town, a very populous one, is endangered.

Though all corporations are intended to be restored to their ancient liberties, yet this cannot at present be effected; so that, for preservation of the peace, you are to act under the late charter and make choice of a mayor, &c. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 29.]

Aug. 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the complaint of Captain John Kenton. States that the King granted to him a commission of war for seizing French goods. On the 15th March last he seized, on the French coast, a vessel called the *North Star*, of Dunkirk, laden with wine and brandy. Bringing her into Dover Pier she ran against the head, of it whereby both ship and loading were damaged. Thereupon the Commissioners of Customs seized the said goods and put them in his Majesty's warehouse, where they now lie. Referred to the Judge of the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 51.]

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Aug. 21. Whitehall. Pass to James Hamilton, esq., George Risback, Samuel Adams, Griffith Evans, and Alexander Stewart to go to Ireland, and return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 442.]

Aug. 22. Chester. Mons. Scravenmoer to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I recommend to your lordship's favour one Mr. Williams to be town-major of the garrison of Chester. The Duke of Schomberg found him diligent in his duties as storekeeper here. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 138.]

Aug. 22. Carrickfergus. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Having encamped the troops at Belfast and considered the situation of the country, and that we had Carrickfergus behind us guarded by 1,000 men, I believed that I could not do better than besiege that place, which we have commenced to do. I sent yesterday a drummer to the town whom they received well enough; but the negotiations ended in nothing and the governor asked to be allowed to send an express to King James. To-night operations have have been commenced, your Majesty's guards, and Ingleby's have been engaged. Mr. Douglas praises the good conduct of the reformed officers of the French regiments, and the colonels who were engaged all through the night. One of the town walls was partly destroyed by shot. We have had some wounded and the Marquis de Venours killed. I have given directions to Scravenmoer and Shales as to sending provisions. Kirke has not yet joined me with his troops. A regiment of cavalry, 500 strong, arrived last night. Desires instruction from his Majesty as to where he shall march when this place has been taken. Complains of want of officers. Answers the King's letter of August $\frac{11}{21}$ as to movements of troops and transport vessels. Mr. Harboard's treasurer does not think he will have sufficient money to pay all the troops. Asks the King's intention as to the Spanish money in London. More arms and powder, saddles and match are needed. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 94.]

Aug. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Sir Charles Hedges. The King commands me to send you the enclosed memorial of the Dutch Ambassador concerning the ship *St. Philip*, cast away on the coast of Wales in January last, together with the papers annexed to the said memorial, and to acquaint you that he would have you examine the matter complained of according to the usual method, and give such directions for the relief of the parties concerned, as shall be agreeable to the law and practice in like cases. And his Majesty would have you use all diligence, that speedy justice may be done to the subjects of the States-General according to the merits of their case. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 40.]

Aug. 22. The same to the same. The enclosed note, I received from Mons. Odyke; it relates to a Portuguese ship taken by a Dutch privateer, and brought to the Isle of Wight. He tells me that none of the King's subjects lay any claim to the ship, or any part of the lading, and therefore he demands her discharge to be adjudged in Holland, pursuant to the opinion you lately gave.

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A memorandum follows that the vessel "which the King has released" is called "la Becasse volante" or "de Vliegende Snippe," taken by Capt. Gillis Ulamingh. Lord Nottingham is urged by Mons. D'Odyke to hasten the matter. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 40.]

Aug. 22. Hampton Court. Lord Melville to Sir Charles Erskine of Cambo. Seeing it is necessary for your health that you come to the Bath, you are allowed so to do. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 133.]

Aug. 22. The King to the Archbishop of Canterbury requiring his dispensation to Nicholas, Bishop of Chester, to hold *in commendam* the rectory of Wigan in the county of Lancaster. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 21.]

Aug. 22. Oxford. Dr. John Wallis to the Earl of Nottingham. I now at length, send you deciphered the letter from Poland, and wish that the advantage of it to his Majesty may be answerable to the difficulty and trouble in discovering it. For some names of persons and places, and some other words which the sense or circumstances (that I was not acquainted with) did not sufficiently discover to me I have either left blank or given the figures as they occur, and the rest I presume is free from mistakes. [*S.P. Ireland*, 352, *No.* 11.]

Aug. 22. Whitehall. Post-warrants for Mr. Roderick Mackenzie, agent to Sir Thomas Gower's regiment, to go to Chester, or where the regiment may be quartered, and to return; and for Captain St. Sauveur to go from London to Chester. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 443.]

Aug. 23. The Camp at Thille la Chateau. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of the campaign; sickness amongst the English troops. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 95.]

Aug. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Bishop of London. The enclosed paper, having been presented to the King by the ministers of the French Church at the Savoy, his Majesty commands me to send the same to your lordship, and to acquaint you that, calling to your assistance the ministers of the Savoy, and such other French ministers in London, as you shall think fit, he would have you inquire into the abuses and disorders complained of and consider of such remedies as may be most proper for their redress, and to make a report on the whole to his Majesty.

The Petition enclosed.—"The French Church of the Savoy, humbly represents that it has been for long established there for the consolation of the French Protestants in the liberties of Westminster, and labours to that end by the enlargement of its temple. It now finds itself interfered with by disorderly assemblies of the French who are in the last stage of misery and remain in London instead of dispersing themselves in the provinces. The King is besought to provide a remedy for these disorders. (*Signed.*) T. Satur, minister of the said church; J. (?) Dubourdieu, minister, Faulcon, minister, La Riviere minister; Montel X. Garnier, P. Hamelot, elder, Louis Landuroy, and Aimé P. Lavigne. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 41.]

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Aug. 23. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. The King taking notice of some Dutch men-of-war that are come from the fleet into our ports to repair some damage they have suffered at sea, and that it might be very prejudicial to his service for such ships to return to their own harbours [unrepaired], commands me to acquaint you that it is his pleasure that you give orders to the officers of the Navy, in the several ports where such ships shall be, to supply them with such stores and to be otherwise assistant to them, as there shall be occasion, and to keep a distinct account thereof, that the charge of such repairs may be repaid by the States. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 43.]

Aug. 23. Brunswick. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. There is little news here now that the Duke of Hanover has gone to Mayence. "The Pope is certainly dead." [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 34.]

Aug. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for a Commission to David, Earl of Leven, to be constable and governor of the castle of Edinburgh. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 133.]

Aug. 23. Hampton Court. Commission to Robert Menzies the younger, of Weem [Wemyss ?] to be captain of the independent new company of foot raised by him in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 135.]

Aug. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Henry Harris, gent., of the office of one of the chief engravers of the King's signets, seals, stamps and arms; the engraving of the irons, or dies of the mint, and medals only excepted. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 443.]

Aug. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend —— Lucas, —— Holt, *alias* Woodward, —— Preswick and Bryers *alias* Fasque, suspected popish priests; also to search Mr. Dean's lodgings in the Temple, or elsewhere, and to seize papers. [*Ibid., p.* 451.]

Aug. 24. Thomas Robson to —— —— Enclosing for perusal a draft petition to the King asking that he may be continued in the office of clerk of the markets in Barbadoes which by favour of Mr. Secretary Coventry he has held during the last two reigns. If the King should not think fit to grant the office to the petitioner, he asks that it may be granted to Mr. John Stede, the present governor's brother and now a resident in the island. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 139.] *Enclosing—*

The petition referred to [*Ibid., No.* 139(i)].

Aug. 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Guise. I should have made you a speedier answer if your commands had been of a different nature and more suited to my wishes. I acquainted the King with them; he is well persuaded, however, that some particular accidents may have rendered the command of your regiment uneasy to you, and that you will always be ready to serve him, and I am confident does not interpret your resignation in the same sense you would wish. He also ordered that you give an account what money is due to you and what your credit is engaged for. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 144.]

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Aug. 24. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. Acknowledges the receipt of an account of disbursements to the Irishmen detained at Bristol which will be transmitted to the Treasury "from whence your friend may solicit payment." [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 145.]

Aug. 24 Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry, Lord Delamere, stating that there are several lands in the counties of Monmouth, Hereford and Gloucester "suspected to be given to the use of Jesuits," and praying that the matter be referred to the Attorney or Solicitor-General for inquiry. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 122.]

Aug. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas, Earl of Sussex, praying for a grant of a piece of ground in "Spring Garden," formerly in the possession of Prince Rupert, promised him by the late King Charles before his death, for a term of 99 years; and also praying for a grant of a house built thereon, for 66 years to make up his term therein to 99 years. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 123.]

Aug. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Charnock Heron, praying for a return of 350*l.* levy money laid out by him on the King's coming into England, and praying also for employment. Referred to the Lords Commissioners of the Army. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 124.]

Aug. 24. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of Charles Ashton and Elizabeth Ashton, of St. Albans, upon suspicion of treasonable and dangerous practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 444.]

Aug. 24. Whitehall. Post-warrant addressed to all post-masters, to furnish Mr. Bryan Townshend with a horse, as often as required, to go to any part of the kingdom. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 445.]

Aug. 24. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of Mrs. Ellinor Ogle, Mary Watson, and, Alathea Clifford, on suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 450.]

Aug. 24. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of Margaret Bowen on suspicion of treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 456.]

Aug. 24. Whitehall. Pass for James Thompson, a Scotchman, to embark at Harwich, for Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 123.]

Aug. 25. J. Hampden to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have acquainted the King that Dr. Copplestone, provost of King's College, Cambridge is dead, and that he has only a few days to assert his right of nomination. It will be necessary for counsel to see the statutes and records of the college to defend his right. I beg your lordship to signify the same to the College and that Mr. Newton may have your favour in the whole matter, whereby you will put a singular obligation upon a man of great and known merit. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 140.]

Aug. 25. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Vice-Provost and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge. The King having graciously promised a hearing, before interposing in your choice of a provost to succeed

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the one lately dead, his Majesty has appointed next Thursday morning for that purpose at Hampton Court. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 145.]

Aug. 25. "Au Camp d'aupres de Walcourt." The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Describes a successful action fought that day. Colonel Hotzes (?) and the English with him, did marvels. I never believed they [the English] would display such "joye de combattre." The Earl of Marlborough is assuredly one of the most gallant men I know. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 96.]

Aug. 25. Pass for Antonie de Blasy to go to Holland and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 442.]

Aug. 26. Lichfield. William Baker to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Begging for ecclesiastical promotion. "Had not my Lord of Canterbury's unhappy stiffness prevented it, I might have had another friend." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 141.]

Aug. 26. Cambridge. The Vice-Provost and Fellows of King's College to the Earl of Shrewsbury. We thank you for giving us notice of his Majesty's intention of hearing what we have to say for ourselves before he interposes in the election of our provost. We have despatched Mr. Stanhope one of our fellows to appear and act on our behalf. *Seal broken* [*Ibid., No.* 142.]

Aug. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Army. The King commands me to send your lordships the enclosed list of twelve Swiss gentlemen, to whom the King has promised employment in the army. The sooner this is dispatched, the more it will be for the King's service, "who hath some interest in the doing of this in the most obliging manner.' *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 143 *and H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 148.] *Enclosing*—

List of Swiss officers recommended by Mons. Eschen.—Mons. Liechly, Mons. Locher, Mons. Steiner, all of Zurich. Mons. Tilliers Bernois, Mons. Telluny, of Berne and Neuchastel, Mons. Rodolphe, of Saluze Grison, Mons. Cassin Le Jeune, of Geneva, Mons. Montmollin and Mons. Merveilleux, of Neuchastel, Mons. d'Aubone, of the Pays de Vaux, the Chevalier de Perncit and Mons. Gordon, of Geneva. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 143(i).]

Aug. 26. Newton. Richard Colville to James Vernon, at the Earl of Shrewsbury's office, Whitehall. After twice going to Spalding, Mr. Austine and I have sold the freehold of Mr. John Welby's estate to Mr. Hargate, who is a sort of "fenn-man" who has lately raised himself from nothing and is very ambitious of being lord of the manor, of which I think truly he will have but the bare title. We have sold other portions of Mr. Welby's estate to Mr. Ranger and to Mr. Edwards. *Seal of arms.* [*Ibid., No.* 144.]

Aug. 26. Bristol. Petition of Patrick Macdonnelle, gentleman, and Owen Bannahan, late quarter-master in a troop of Irish dragoons, prisoners at Bristol to the Earl of Shrewsbury, that they may have their

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liberty or the accustomed allowance. *Portion of seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 145.] *Annexed—*

A like petition, with a certificate of its accuracy given by William Jackson mayor of Bristol. [*Ibid., No.* 145(i).]

Aug. 26. Carrickfergus. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Describes the situation of the place, the condition of his army, and his plans on the capitulation occurring. Thinks the enemy's force is between 3,000 and 4,000 men. Has read the King's memorandum about the movements of troops and vessels, and also caused it to be read to Captains Rooke, and Hobson, and has discussed it with the Count de Solms and Mr. Douglas. The Scotch colonels write unfavourably of the capabilities of the Highlanders. Messieurs Goulon and Cambon have caused me much annoyance, "le premier est un peu brutal, et le dernier est chicanneur sur ses mathematiques;" there has been a feud between them since they were in Holland. I have, however, urged them to keep within their duty. Cambon having told me that he did not care to serve as an engineer, I answered we could do without him in that station, as well as in that of his being colonel of a French regiment, and that if he did not do his duty, I should inform your Majesty of it. There has been a rising amongst the peasantry in the neighbourhood of Coleraine and Carrickfergus, with whom are mingled some Scotch people; those of Londonderry have also risen and, under the pretence of robbing the Roman Catholics, rob also those of their own religion. Recommends Mr. Wilson (?) a resident in Lisburn, who desires employment in Holland. From news brought, both by sea and land, from the neighbourhood of Dublin, King James has encamped part of his army three miles from that city.

August 27.—Carrickfergus capitulated to-day at noon. The terms of capitulation are that the garrison be conducted, with arms and baggage, but without cannon, to the nearest garrison or *corps d'armée* of King James. I must leave Sir Henry Ingleby here with his regiment which is none of the best. I had thought of making him a brigadier, but I found it was too long since he had been in action. Mons. de la Meloniere acted as brigadier during this siege. We need more brigadiers, but I see none fit for the post in this army. It is said that Colonel Stewart, who is with Kirke, is fit for the post. Hitherto I have had all the care of the provisions, ships, artillery, cavalry, money-matters, and the whole details of the attack. The artillery officers are ignorant, lazy and cowardly. There has been a great deal of trickery in the artillery: the bombs are badly charged, the cannon badly cast, and the arms badly constructed. Much of this is due to Mr. Henry Shales. The miners did not do their duty. I have appointed Cambon as quarter-master-general. The officers' horse and baggage have not as yet arrived which will hinder us in advancing beyond Belfast. I shall to-morrow send back most of Harboard's transport vessels which are here with beef, cheese, and butter. Sets out his plans for the future. Is going to send the larger war-ships to cruize off Dublin, Cork and Kinsale. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 97.]

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Aug. 26. Whitehall. "at 10 in the morning." The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Vice-Provost and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge. Since writing to you yesterday at noon, it has been represented to the King that it is necessary for the Attorney-General to peruse your statutes and records, in order to state rightly your case, touching the election of provost, to the King in council. You are, therefore, to send up all your statutes and records bearing on the subject. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 146.]

Aug. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Attorney-General. The King commands me to acquaint you that he has appointed Thursday morning next to hear the cause about the provostship of King's College, Cambridge, in council, at Hampton Court and would have you attend there at that time. *The like letter sent to the Solicitor-General.* [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 43.]

Aug. 26. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. His Majesty's service at Guernsey requiring a better vessel than the yacht which has hitherto been there, it is his pleasure that you appoint a ship of greater strength, in exchange for the yacht; he thinks that the French prize, called the *Play*, may be proper for that station. And that this may be done with the greatest speed, and the least charge, his Majesty would have the men of the yacht transferred to this ship with as many more as shall make up a sufficient complement for it. Captain Cotton, the present commander of the yacht, has had great experience of that coast. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 44.]

Aug. 26. Whitehall. Pass and post-warrant for Captain Charles Greaves, of Col. Heyford's regiment, to go to Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 444.]

Aug. 27. The Camp at Carrickfergus. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. I sent news to your Majesty, by express, of the taking of this town [Carrickfergus], which passed here for the strongest in the kingdom. The gentleman sent therewith was serving as aide-de-camp here and is nephew of Lord Montagu. He is named "Henry," and was sent to the Bastille for not drinking the health of King James and the pretended Prince of Wales. Does not consider that, so long as the General in Ireland and the Lord Deputy are two persons, that the King will be well served by those who have the government of country, either in peace or in war. *Holograph.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 98.]

Aug. 27. Whitehall. [The Earl of Shrewsbury] to the Mayor of Cambridge. By order of his Majesty in Council you are to allow such prisoners, Irish or others, as are detained with you, but 4*d.* a day, since the 22nd instant, and to officers the fourth part of the pay they received when in service. Similar letters were written to the mayors of Warrington, Chester, Haverford, Pembroke, Carlisle, Bristol, Whitehaven, Gravesend, and Liverpool. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 151.]

Aug. 27. Wolfenbütel. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Is surprised that Lord Nottingham should imagine that he desired letters of recall; his health is bad but he never desired to return till the King's business was done in

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these courts. Hopes for regular payments, as his expenses are heavy as he is "always travelling and making presents." News from Mayence. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 40.]

Aug. 27. Whitehall. Report by the Earl of Monmouth, Lord Lumley, and T. Wharton upon the petition of Samuel Gibbs, Henry Rice, James Hayes, Capt. John Hawke, Lieut. William Russell, Henry Turner, Thomas Best, William Leigh, William Adam, and Samuel Palmer, stating that they have been tradesmen, and dealers, who left their trades to join the King's service, and recommending them to fill vacancies in the Customs or Excise, as there are none in the army. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition. Entry Book* 2, *p.* 125.]

Aug. 27. Warrant for the keeper of the Gatehouse to convey Colonel Edward Lacy to the house of Charles Bertie, esq. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 445.]

Aug. 27. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Davies, agent to Lord Devonshire, to go to Chester [*Ibid.*]; and for Jonas Coignard, a French protestant, to embark at Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 124.]

Aug. 28. London. Sir Thomas Vernon to James Vernon. Being about to take a journey with my wife and other company to Bath to-morrow I shall be prevented from seeing you. The Company of Haberdashers, whereof I am a member, are trustees of a very eminent free school at Monmouth. About the beginning of King James's reign a complaint was made at the Council table against the then schoolmaster, Mr. Bassett, which being referred to the company they dismissed him and appointed one Mr. Wright in his place. Mr. Bassett lately endeavoured to be restored, and the present master of the company, Mr. Robert Boddington, summoned a court of assistants to consider the matter. The company after long debate thought fit to continue Mr. Wright. Mr. Bassett however produced a letter from the King, signed by the Earl of Shrewsbury, recommending the company to restore him. I beg you to endeavour to prevent any misrepresentation of any of us who are desirous to behave ourselves towards his Majesty with all due respect. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 146.]

Aug. 28. Chester. Major George Matthews to the Earl of Shrewsbury. We are infinitely obliged for your order to give us our liberty either on our parole or on security but we receive no benefit from it, and desire your lordship to order we may have the liberty of the air of the town. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 147.]

Aug. 28. Chester. William Streete, mayor of Chester, to the same. I inquired into the usage of the prisoners: the only complaint was of their close confinement, there being no garden walks or outlet to take the air. I have consulted the governor and conclude it is not in our power to give them liberty to take the air with a guard, being committed on suspicion of high treason by order of Council. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 148.]

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Aug. 28. "Au Camp de Thille la Chateau." The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of the campaign. Events after Walcourt. Movements of the enemy. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 99.]

Aug. 28. Passes and post-warrants for Mrs. Shrimpton to go to Harwich and embark for Holland; for Mr. Thomas Carter and Alexander Grant to go to Scotland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 445]; for Ensign Cuttle, in Col. Beaumont's regiment, to go to Chester; and for Mary Taylor, a Dutch soldier's wife, and two children, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 446.]

Aug. 29. Mons. Du Bourdieu to Mr. Vernon "at Lord Shrewsbury's office in Hampton Court." Lord Shrewsbury had sent for him on the previous Saturday, but, being interrupted by a visit from the Spanish Ambassador, was unable to see him. He (Shrewsbury) then fixed 9 o'clock on the following morning for their meeting, but "I replied that, at that hour, I must be in the pulpit." The meeting, after being fixed for the next day, was again postponed. Speculates as to what Lord Shrewsbury can want to see him about and asks for hints to prepare him for the interview when it takes place. Suggests that Lord Shrewsbury may wish to speak with him as to Chretien and De Beaujen who have been arrested. The former has had correspondence with a clerk of De Louvois. Refers to La Ludirière as the most dangerous French spy in this country. Speaks of the papers found upon Chretien. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 149.]

Aug. 29. The Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Takes the opportunity of an officer going over to England to give the King a detailed account of the progress of events happening with the allied forces. Sickness exists amongst the English troops. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 100.]

Aug. 29. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of intendant or overseer of the invalids in Scotland to Mr. Adam Frier. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 136.]

Aug. 29. Hampton Court. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of one of the two clerks of their Majesties' Privy Council of Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 138.]

Aug. 29. Hampton Court. Blank warrants for a gift of the office of one of their Majesties' physicians in ordinary in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 139, 140.]

Aug. 29. Hampton Court. The King to Sir Alexander Bruce, of Broomhall. You are hereby ordered to repair to Scotland with all diligence, and being arrived there you are to take a review of all our forces and garrisons in that kingdom and bring us an account, both as to the bodies of the men, their number, their disposition and fitness for our service, how paid, and how otherwise provided for, and generally to bring us an account of everything that relates to the army, and in what condition our castles, magazines, and stores are. You are also to bring us an account of our revenue in that kingdom, both as to

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the present state of it, and as to the charge that usually lies upon it in time of peace. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 162.]

Aug. 29. Whitehall. Pass and post-warrant for Count Maynard de Schomberg to go from London to Chester and thence to Ireland on his Majesty's service and provide himself with horses, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 440.]

Aug. 29. Hampton Court. Appointment of Isaac Lamb as procurator in the Court of Admiralty of the Cinque Ports. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 124.]

Aug. 29. Hampton Court. Commissions for the militia of the Cinque Ports :—Dover : Thomas March, captain ; John Hollingsbery, lieutenant ; Richard Edward, ensign. Hastings :—Edward Milward, captain ; Philip Lowell, lieutenant ; Robert Phippes, ensign. New Romney :—Peter Lancaster, senior, captain ; John Mascall, senior, lieutenant ; John Chalker, ensign. Lydd :—Kennell [Kenelm ?] Tucker, captain ; John Bannewell, lieutenant ; Humphry Lee, ensign. Pevensey ;—Robert Thawyer, captain ; Thomas Rowe, lieutenant ; Abraham Kenchley, ensign. Tenterden :—Robert Austin, captain ; Robert Austin, junior, lieutenant ; John Pemble, ensign. Rye :—Thomas Tutty, captain ; John Spain, lieutenant ; Nicholas Munooch, ensign. Winchelsea :—Edward Martin, captain ; Thomas Hovenden, lieutenant ; George Head, ensign. Seaford :—John Harrison, captain ; Nicholas Dobson, lieutenant ; Thomas Elpluck, ensign. Hythe :—Julius Deedes, captain ; Thomas Tournay, lieutenant ; William Brown, ensign. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 60.]

Aug. 29. Hampton Court. Commissions for James Lambe to be gunner in Dover Castle in the room of Thomas Hamond [*Ibid., p.* 57] ; for John May to be gunner of Walmer Castle ; for Christopher Woolve to be gunner of Arcliff Fort near Dover ; for John Scott to be gunner of Dover Castle [*Ibid., p.* 58] ; for —— Gordon to be captain-lieutenant of the Earl of Leven's own company in his lordship's regiment of foot [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 141] ; for John Moncreif to be ensign of the same [*Ibid., p.* 142] ; for —— Caldower to be lieutenant of the lieutenant-colonel's company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 143] ; for —— Weir to be ensign of William Arrot's company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 144] ; for —— Waddell to be lieutenant of —— Bruce's company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 145] ; for —— Ellis to be ensign of the same company [*Ibid., p.* 146] ; for —— Pumphret to be lieutenant of Captain Archibald Paton's company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 147] ; for Robert Nairne to be ensign of the same company [*Ibid., p.* 148] ; for —— Brymer to be lieutenant of Sir Robert Hamilton's company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 149] ; for —— Fullerton to be ensign of the same company [*Ibid., p.* 150] ; for —— Creighton to be lieutenant of Captain Henry Verrier's company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 151] ; for —— Arrot to be ensign of the same company [*Ibid., p.* 152] ; for —— Lundy to be lieutenant of Captain William Hill's company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 153] ; for —— Champagne to be ensign of the same company [*Ibid., p.* 154] ; for John Hay to be lieutenant of Captain James Denholme's company, in the same

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regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 155]; for Thomas Boyd to be ensign of the same company [*Ibid.*, *p.* 156]; for William Moncreif to be lieutenant of Captain John Fullerton's company in the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 157]; for John Leslie to be ensign of the same company [*Ibid.*, *p.* 158]; for —— Maxwell to be lieutenant of Captain James Bruce's company in the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 159]; for —— Carraw to be lieutenant of Captain —— Lundy's company in the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 160]; for —— Brisbane to be lieutenant of Captain Charles Erskine's company in the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 161.]

Aug. 30. Roughton near Cromer. James Tennant to Gilbert, bishop of Salisbury. The sound of the guns fired by the colliers' convoys, sets him thinking "how desperate and bloudy" sea-fights must be. Shows that in naval actions the ship that is on the nether gage may disable all or most of the men above deck of the ship that is on the lee, by the use of a certain stuff to be thrown amongst the men of the latter. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 150.]

Aug. 30. Liverpool. Thomas Tyrer, mayor of Liverpool, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I shall observe your order to reduce the pay to 4*d.* a day for those I have in custody. There is but one that has been in office, to whom I have allowed but 6*d.* a day. I desire to be reimbursed the monies I have all this time paid out of my own pocket, and for the sick soldiers left behind by the regiments for Londonderry. It cost me 41*l.* to send the advice boat to Major-General Kirke with Lord Brandon's letters. *Seal broken.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 151.]

Aug. 30. The Camp at Nivelles. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Continuation of the narrative of the previous day. It has been discovered that an Irishman in the service of the Spaniards, assisted by an Irish capuchin, has counselled the English and Irish troops to desert. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 101.]

Aug. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Ormond. I have directed the commissions you mention to be prepared. Before presenting them to the King, I am obliged to remind you that Lord Marlborough, according to the powers usually granted to those commanding the King's forces abroad, has it in his commission to supply all vacancies until the King's pleasure is known. I believe you would not, knowingly, propose anything derogatory to the powers granted to the Earl of Marlborough, as I am confident he will consent to anything you think of advantage to your troop in encouraging the under officers and gentlemen by preferring them gradually; and therefore, it were best for you to confer together in this matter. In the meantime, I will acquaint his Majesty that you have an officer more fit for a pension than to be continued in command and endeavour to obtain directions that room may be made for a person more capable of serving. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 147.]

Aug. 30. Hampton Court. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. The King having directed Count Flodrop to bespeak for his use at Liége 5,000 muskets, and as many carbines, which are agreed for at the rate of

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25*s.* each, of the money of that country, amounting in the whole to 26,250 rix dollars, I am commanded to acquaint you with this, and also that the value of the said sum be "imprested" to the Treasurer of the Ordnance for paying for these arms to Captain Helderier (who is commissioned by the Count in this matter) as he shall deliver them into the office of the stores. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 147.]

Aug. 30. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King being informed that Mr. Wolseley's pardon is not yet passed, commands me to enquire what are the new difficulties that cause this delay. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 148.]

Aug. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The King commands me to acquaint you that he would have you give order for the convoy to be ready to sail forthwith, that is to attend Lord Dursley and Lord Paget, his Majesty's envoys-extraordinary—the first to the States-General, the other to the Emperor—as also the envoy from the Landgrave of Hesse Cassel, who is going away. The King would likewise have you give order to the commander that goes over with this convoy to stay in Holland for Lord Pembroke, his Majesty's ambassador-extraordinary in Holland, and bring him over into England. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 44.]

Aug. 30. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. The King, thinking it fit that Lord Sydney should be vice-admiral of Kent, I give you notice of it, that you may give order for the dispatching his commission. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 45.]

Aug. 30. Whitehall. The same to the Bishop of Down and Connor. I am informed that Mr. Moore, whom you last presented to be precentor of Connor, is turned papist, and lately served as a captain at the siege of Derry, whereby his place is become void. I am assured that the most considerable gentlemen of that side of the country will recommend the bearer, Mr. William Armar, to your favour to succeed him, and some of them have desired me to join with them in this suit on his behalf. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 30. Hampton Court. The King to the Corporation of Kingston-upon-Hull. Whereas by your petition you have represented to us that the office of recorder of your town is vacant by the death of Thomas, Earl of Plymouth and the incapacity of Marmaduke, Lord Langdale, a papist, to hold the office, though appointed to it, and prayed us to grant the said office to Robert Hollis, one of the benchers of Gray's Inn; we are pleased to grant your request. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 31.]

Aug 30. Warrant appointing Robert Hollis, esq., a bencher of Gray's Inn, to be recorder of Kingston-upon-Hull. [*Ibid.*]

Aug. 30. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Charles Scarborough, praying that he may keep the lodgings in Scotland Yard, appropriated by Charles II. for his first physician, in succession, for ever. Referred to the Lord Chamberlain. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 122.]

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Aug. 30. Whitehall. Post-warrant for Captain Lawrence Clayton and Captain Morris Clifford, officers of the Duke of Bolton's regiment, to go from London to Chester. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 125.]

Aug. 31. "At six in the morning." Major John Wildman to Dr. Wynne. I have made my officers watch the whole night for the coming of the King's letters for Holland and Flanders, but as yet I hear nothing of them. Pray inquire the cause of their stay; I need not tell you the mischief caused by stopping the mails. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 152.]

Aug. 31. The Camp at Gerpines. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of the campaign and movements of the enemy. Mons de Schoning has marched towards Andernach. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 102.]

Aug. 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Trelawny. The reason why you have not received an account of the arms of your regiment sooner is that the stores are so diminished at present that they cannot even yet make up your number, but with "mixt arms," as you will see by the enclosed paper, sent me by Sir Henry Goodrick, who promises that such arms as they have, shall be sent by the next return of the carrier to Exeter from whence you can convey them to your regiment. *Annexed*—"Arms proper for arming ten companies and one of grenadiers in Colonel Trelawny's regiment, viz.:—Snap muskets with walnut stocks and flat hard locks, 150; ditto strapped, 63; match muskets, 320; bandoliers, 470; long pikes, 160; halberts, 33; drums, 22; bayonets with belts and troggs, 533; cartouch boxes with belts, 63; granadoe pouches, 63; hammer hatchets, 63." [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 150.]

Aug. 31. Pass to Abraham Chicote to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 446.]

August. Memorandum of warrants which passed the Signet Office from 21st February 1688-9 to August 1689. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 1, *No.* 153.]

Sept. $\frac{1}{11}$. Montigny-on-Sambre. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Marshall D' Humieres has gone away and is encamped at Bussiere. I await the opinion of the Marquis de Castanaga as to a junction of your forces. Count Benka, sent here by his Imperial Majesty, has left well satisfied with our intentions. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 103.]

Sept. 1. Hampton Court. Commission for James Crauford, esq., to be lieutenant of the troop, whereof Anthony Rodney is captain, in the Royal regiment of Dragoons under the command of Col. Anthony Heyford. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 119.]

Sept. 1. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant of letters of denization to Simon de Brienne and Mary de Brienne, aliens born. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 457.]

Sept. 2. Chester. Colonel Charles Trelawny to [the Earl of Shrewsbury?] The frequent and great meetings of Roman Catholics every week at Sir Thomas Grosvenor's, have occasioned his neighbours to complain of him; and particularly that on Friday last "was sennight" there was an

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assembly in which were several Jesuits and other priests. Sir John Morgan acquainting me of this, I thought it my duty to let your lordship know it. Colonel Villiers marched his regiment this morning to Hoylake, and to-morrow Lord Hewett's shall march thither also, if the weather permit. Villiers is to embark to-day, but as it has blown a storm these two days, it will be difficult to ship the horses. As soon as enough ships have come back, I will send them to Scotland to take the regiments of Langston and Heyford. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 1.]

Sept. 2. Chester. Israel Feilding to [the same ?] I would remind your lordship of your promise to intercede with the King for a brevet that I may command parties as captain of horse. My business as controller-general of the provisions lies in a narrow room. [*Ibid., No.* 2.]

Sept. 2. The Camp at Montigny-on-Sambre. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Marshal D'Humieres has increased his force so that it now exceeds that of the States by more than 10,000 men. He has cut off supplies, and obliges me to take up a position here between Namur and Charleroy. [*S.P. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 104.]

Sept. 2. Hampton Court. The King to the Vice-Provost and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge, nominating John Hartcliff, senior fellow of that college, for election to the provostship, void by the death of Dr. Coppleston. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 15, *and H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 22.]

Sept. 2. Westminster. Lord Melville to the Privy Council of Scotland. Desiring them to assist Sir Alexander Bruce, of Broomhall, in reviewing his Majesty's troops in Scotch pay. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 163.]

Sept. 2. Westminster. The same to Major-General Mackay. Ordering him to give the like assistance. [*Ibid., p.* 164.]

Sept. 2. The same to Sir Thomas Moncrieff. Ordering him to assist Sir Alexander Bruce in matters relating to the revenue of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 164.]

Sept. 2. Hampton Court. Warrant to Col. Beaumont, lieutenant of Dover Castle, to swear Thomas Prescot as gunner of, in the place of Joseph Henly. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 19.]

Sept. 2. Hampton Court. Warrant to the same to swear William Hatcher as gunner of in the place of John Vayle. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 2. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Recorder of London for the reprieve of Lawrence Welsh, condemned to death for horse-stealing, until further order. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 446.]

Sept. 2. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Hills, "messenger, appointed to inspect printing presses for the discovery of unlicensed books, pamphlets, and newspapers." Whereas there have been distributed divers seditious books, papers, news-pamphlets, and intelligences, you are to search all printing houses, booksellers' and bookbinders' shops and warehouses for the same and to arrest their authors and distributors. [*Ibid., p.* 448.]

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Sept. 2. Hampton Court. Warrant for the reprieve of John Harman, a Dutch soldier condemned for killing a young child. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 449.]

Sept. 2. Memorandum that the Commission for Sir Rowland Gwynn to be gamekeeper of the manor of Havering (?), co. Essex, and 10 miles round, was entered by mistake in "the Military Book." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 453.]

Sept. 2. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant of the office of *Custos Rotulorum* of the county of Kent, to Henry, Viscount Sydney, in the place of Heneage, Earl of Winchelsea, deceased. [*Ibid.* 35, p. 125.]

Sept. 2. Hampton Court. Commissions for Robert Broadnax to be lieutenant-colonel of Lord Delamere's regiment of horse; for George Bermingham to be major in the same regiment; for Major Joseph Stroude to be captain in the same regiment; for Thomas Elus (*sic*) to be cornet to Captain John Wright in the same regiment [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 58]; for Lord Sydney to be Lord Lieutenant of Kent in the room of the Earl of Winchelsea deceased. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 59.]

Sept. 3. Petition of George Howse, gentleman, that being ambitious to serve the King in Ireland he was concerned with two others in secretly raising a thousand men in the city of Dublin in November and December last, expecting that the King's forces would have been landed by that time; but being discovered, he was forced to make his escape to sea in a small boat in disguise, when he was picked up by a vessel bound for England. He lost an estate worth 400*l.* a year besides goods to the value of 2,000*l.*, and was unable from poverty to go as a volunteer to Ireland. Prays for some employment in England or elsewhere. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 3.]

Sept. $\frac{3}{13}$. Zell. ["Cell."] George William, Duke of Brunswick and Luneburg to the King. Expressing gratitude for the bestowal of some favour. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 105.]

Sept. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Duke of Schomberg. The King commands me to acquaint you that the ships designed for the West Indies should not be detained in the Irish Seas, but immediately sent away to Plymouth. And for the rest of the men-of-war under Captain Rooke which you design to send before Dublin, and to the South of Ireland, his Majesty thinks it more proper they should attend such other service as you shall think fit to employ them in, nearer to you, especially since the fleet is come to Torbay to take in water and provisions. The King thinks that Captain Rooke, with his little squadron, would be too much exposed to the French fleet if that should come upon the coast of Ireland. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 46.]

Sept. $\frac{3}{13}$. Zell. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Giving a detailed account of the surrender of Mayence. [*H.O. Regencies*, 1, *p.* 50.]

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Sept. 3. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of Robert Cooper, Thomas Granger, Thomas Dunning, George Green, and Robert Sanders for causing the apprehension, without authority, of Edmund Burton a soldier in Lieut.-Colonel George Hamilton's regiment of foot-guards. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 450.]

Sept. 3. Hampton Court. Commission for Sir Duncan Campbell to be lieutenant-colonel of the Earl of Argyll's regiment of foot in Scotland [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 165]; also blank commissions for a lieutenant-colonel and major of the same regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 166.]

Sept. 4. Bristol. William Jackson, mayor of Bristol, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I called a house yesterday for the election of mayor and sheriffs for the ensuing year. Several members were wanting and I perceived that those that had neglected the King's and the City's service before, came not with a design to do business, but to wrangle upon precedency. These men are for the most part those who consented to the voluntary surrender of the charter, and I have reason to believe are least affected to their Majesties' interest. I desire direction herein as I wish, when I resign my office, to leave it in the hands of such men as are entirely disposed to their Majesties' service, which I cannot promise if this party prevail. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 4.]

Sept. 4–11. A list of those persons who have been visitors to the several prisoners in the Tower. To Lord Salisbury :—Sir William Holford, Mr. Holford, the Duchess of Northumberland, the Countess of Salisbury, Lady Holford, Lady Howard, Mr. Wooton, Mr. Bankes, Mrs. Lee, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Oliver, Mr. Sadler, Mr. Lowen, Mr. Manwaring, and Mr. Longstaff.

To Lord Castlemaine :—Mr. Gadbury, Lady Charleton, Mr. Marlow, Lord Sussex, and Sir William Holford.

To Lord Peterborough :—Mr. Clarke, Mr. White, and Mr. Gadbury.

To Lord Montgomery :—Mr. Blewitt, Mr. Cross, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. St. George, Mr. White, Mr. Severne, Sir William Holford, and Captain Winde.

To Lord Arran :—Mr. Bucklie, Sir William Hamilton, Sir James Ogleby, Mr. Samuel Hamilton, Mr. Murray, Lord Selkirk, Lord [St.] John (?), Sir Charles Haro (*sic*), Major Makeness, Captain St. George, Mr. Villiers, Lord Godolphin, Mr. Mackenine, Mr. Boltman, Sir John Cockrell, Mr. Calline, and Mr. Lines.

To Lord Preston :—Mr. Graham, Mr. Harding, Mr. Ridley, Sir Phillip Johnson, Sir William Holford, Mr. Bankes, Sir William Bowes, Mr. Grimes, Captain Ridley, Sir Charles Grimes, Mr. Ragley, Mr. Meares, Mr. John Grimes, Mr. Masters, Mr. Salisbury, Sir John Cockram, and Captain Forritt.

To Lord Forbes :—Sir Nicholas Achime, Mr. Bartlett, Mr. Steward, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Mackgill, Mr. Bufoy, Captain Ayres, Captain St. George, Mr. Dillgardner, Mr. Murray, Mr. Neale, Sir Hugh Middleton, Sir Henry Bingham, Captain Bingham, Captain Auger, Sir John Edgar, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Humes, Mr. Lee, Mr. Arnold, Lady

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Forbes, Captain Phillips, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Steward, and Mr. Hamilton.

To Sir John Fenwick:—Mr. Jemison, Lady Fenwick, Lady Cobb, Mr. Harding, Sir William Holford, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Howard, Lady Salisbury, Lady Holford, Lady Howard, Mr. Holford, Captain Ridley, Colonel Griffin, Captain Winde, Mr. John Harding, and Captain Grimes.

To Sir Edward Hales:—Mr. Holford, Madame Skelton, Mr. John Hales, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hales, Mr. Siny(?), and Mr. Godwin.

To Mr. Charles Hales:—Mr. Bossett, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Thimbleby, and Mr. John Hales.

To Sir Robert Hamilton:—Sir Nicholas Hutchinson, Mr. Mackgill, Mr. Spencer, Sir Arthur Royden, Mr. Peirce, Mr. Shaw, Captain Dawson, Mr. Steward, Captain Mackcotey [Macarty ?], Mr. Cam, Mr. Allcock, Mr. Gardner, and Mr. Stone.

To Sir Thomas Jenner:—Mr. Browne, and Mr. Norman.

To Colonel Lundy:—Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Sambell.

To Mr. Cholmondeley:—Mr. Dutton, Mr. Harding, Mr. Norman, Mr. Nott, Mr. Bowlock, Mr. Ensigne, Mr. Manwaring, Mr. St. John, Colonel Cholmondeley, Mr. Lowndes, Lord Cholmondeley, Mr. Breverton, Mr. Broughton, Sir Thomas Alline, and Colonel Waine.

To Mr. Shackerley:—Mr. Cheshire, Sir George Strowde, Mr. Baskerville, Colonel Cholmondeley, Mr. Manwaring, Mr. Yates, and Mr. Brereton.

To Mr. Graham:—Mr. Molloy, Mr. Graham, Dr. Downes, Mr. Pope, Mr. Richard Graham, Mr. Fothergill, and Mr. Charles Graham.

To Mr. Burton:—Mr. Jenner, Captain Harte, Mr. Weston, Mr. Walker, Mr. Molloy, Dr. Hascote, and Mr. Barnet.

To Mr. Walker:—Mr. Cowood, Mr. Tankerd [Tancred ?], Mr. Hills, Mr. John Hales, Mr. Frankes, Mr. Turner, and Mr. Hulesman. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 106.]

Sept. 4. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to the Archbishop of York, the Bishop of London, and other ecclesiastics reciting that whereas the particular forms of divine worship, and the rites and ceremonies appointed to be used therein, being things, in their own nature, indifferent and alterable, and so acknowledged, it is but reasonable that upon weighty and important considerations, according to the various exigencies of times and occasions, such changes and alterations should be made therein, as to those that are in place and authority should from time to time seem either necessary or expedient.

And whereas the book of canons is fit to be reviewed, and made more suitable to the state of the Church; and whereas there are divers defects and abuses in the ecclesiastical courts of jurisdiction, and particularly there is not sufficient provision made for the removing of scandalous ministers and for the reformation of manners, either in ministers or people; and whereas it is most fit that there should be a strict method prescribed for the examination of such persons as desire to be admitted into Holy Orders, both as to their learning and manners.

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Their Majesties out of their pious and princely care for the said order, edification, and unity of the Church of England, committed to their charge, for the reconciling, as much as is possible, of all differences among their good subjects, and to take away all occasions of the like for the future, have thought fit to authorise, impower, and require the said commissioners or any nine or more of them (whereof three are to be bishops) to meet from time to time, as often as shall be needful, and to prepare such alterations and amendments of the liturgy and canons, and such proposals for the reformation of ecclesiastical courts and to consider of such other matters as in their judgment may most conduce to the ends above mentioned, so that the things by them so considered and prepared may be in readiness to be offered to Convocation at their next meeting, and when approved by them, may be presented to their Majesties and to the two Houses of Parliament, so that, if it shall be judged fit, they may be established in due form of law. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 23, *with duplicate of the same, p.* 25.]

Sept. 4. Order to Colonel Hastings to march his regiment to Kirkcudbright and there to embark it for Carrickfergus. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 168.]

Sept. 4. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Charles Beckwith, James Messenger, and William Morpeth on suspicion of treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 455.

Sept. 4. Hampton Court. Reprieve for Greenway Field, sentenced to death at the Old Bailey for killing one Charlton. [*Ibid., p.* 126.]

Sept. 4. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend ——— Fitzpatrick. and Captain George Hilton, suspected of high treason. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 127.]

Sept. 4. Warrant to apprehend Captain Edward Richardson, Mark Burne, ——— Robinson, and John Leright. [*Ibid., p.* 128.]

Sept. 4. Warrant to apprehend Thomas Cox, La Neuve, ——— English, and ——— Cosens. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 4. Warrant to apprehend Captain Robert Bruff, and Charles St. Leger. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 4. Warrant to apprehend Captain Plate, Captain John Stichley, ——— Neale, and ——— Mills. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 4. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Captain William Neville, in Lord Cavendish's regiment, with six gentlemen as volunteers, and three servants, to go to Chester for Ireland [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 449]; for John Thompson to go from Staines to Torbay [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 125]; and for Jean de Fourcinet, a French protestant, to embark at Harwich or elsewhere for Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 126.]

Sept. 5. Dingley. Lord Griffin to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Some days since I understood I was summoned by proclamation to render myself, at which I must take leave to wonder, since I cannot learn that any other of the peers have been so proceeded with, though several of

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them have taken leave as well as I, to employ themselves upon their private occasions. *Seal.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 5.]

Sept. 5. Montigny on Sambre. The Prince of Waldeck to the Marquis de Castanaga. Stating that the enemy is daily strengthening his position and begging for reinforcements. Charleroy is without ammunition, cannon and supplies, and if left cannot hold out more than four days. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 107.]

Sept. 5. Lord Melville to the Earl of Cassillis, allowing him to come up to Court. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 168.]

Sept. 5. Hampton Court. Warrant to Sir Thomas Levingstone to recruit the regiment of dragoons under his command. [*Ibid., p.* 169.]

Sept. 5. Whitehall. Pass for Christopher Rouch, the Queen's coachman to embark at Harwich for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 452.]

Sept. 5. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Mr. Lattin of the office of gamekeeper at and around Hampton Court. [*Ibid., p.* 457.]

Sept. 6. Montigny on Sambre. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Describes an unsuccessful attack made that morning upon his position by Marshal D'Humieres. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 108.]

Sept. 6. The Camp near Waizen. The same to the same. Thanks the King for his letter. Is gratified by hearing of the good disposition in England towards the King, and that things are going better in Holland. Describes progress of events with the army. Supplies are greatly needed. [*Ibid.*, No. 109.]

Sept. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Duke of Schomberg. The King has been pleased, at the request of the Countess of Ardglass, to command me to recommend the bearer, Mr. Nicholas Price, her son, to your favour for such employment in the army in Ireland as you shall find him qualified for. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 47.

Sept. $\frac{6}{16}$. Zell. Mons, de la Roque to Mr. Warre. News from Mayence. Defeat of the Turks with a loss of 86,000 men by the Duke of Baden. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 42.]

Sept. 6. Dublin. Buno (*sic*) Talbot to ————. An exchange having been proposed of Captain Walter Nugent, now prisoner in England, for Mr. John Price, late Receiver-General of the Kingdom, the said Mr. Price is accordingly set at liberty, and I hope that Captain Nugent will be, upon receipt hereof, enlarged. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 12.]

Sept. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the memorial—the prayer of which is not entered —of the Trinity House stating that by an Act of James II., for the encouragement of building ships in England, a duty is laid upon all foreign-built ships, using the coal, or other coast trade, viz., upon such as shall be thenceforward bought and brought into England

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5*d.* a ton, and on those then in England (being not made free) after Michaelmas 1689, 12*d.* per ton, both which duties are given by the said Act to the chest at Chatham and the Trinity House for the relief of wounded and decayed seamen, their widows and children. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 52.]

Sept. 6. Whitehall. Pass for Albert Widart, sent express to the Emperor, to embark at Harwich, or elsewhere, for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 126.]

Sept. 6. Warrant to apprehend Daniel Capes, suspected of high treason, [*Ibid.*, *p.* 129.]

Sept. 6. Like warrant to apprehend Mrs. Catherine Sheldon. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 6. Like warrant to apprehend Lady Hanum. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 6. Like warrant to apprehend John Cozens. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 6. Like warrant to apprehend Captain Pound. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 7. Salisbury. G[ilbert Burnet] Bishop of Salisbury to ———— "Sir, I beg you will favour me so far as to give my most faithful service and my most humble thanks to the Earl of Shrewsbury for his goodness to me in sending me the printed sheets together with a part of the manuscript which I return to you, but can say nothing concerning the hand. As for the printed sheets, I do not see any great matter in them but what may be easily answered. What he insists most on as to the Conquest, has been often and fully answered; for it is certain that William the Conqueror only conquered Harold and his party but not the nation, and though he was in many things rigid and cruel and broke many of our laws, yet he still governed according to law as to the main.

"Yet upon the whole matter I do not think that now, when we are at quiet, it is convenient to write much upon this subject of proving the right of the people's defending themselves when the whole constitution is in danger of being overturned. That is a question fit to be laid to sleep; for in quiet times there is no occasion to dispute it, and whensoever a new occasion is given by the violence of the government to examine it, authors and matter will be found to support it. After all, I do not see anything in the sheets that you have sent me that is punishable, so this can be carried no further than any unlicensed pamphlet may be.

"Sir, I do most earnestly desire that you will move my lord in my name that since I understand the Dean of Peterborough is to be promoted to Chichester, I humbly join with the Bishop of St. Asaph and the Dean of Canterbury in recommending Mr. Alix to the prebend of Westminster. He is one of the learnedest and worthiest men in the world; he is extremely poor and no man whatsoever has contributed more to the satisfying the London clergy with the present settlement; for several of the best pieces that have been writ for it were drawn first in French by him, which, though few know, yet it consists (*sic*) in my own knowledge. He has been more instrumental likewise in preparing all people's minds to a comprehension than

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any man I know. He is one of the persons in the world with whom I have held the strictest friendship these many years and therefore I hope my lord will pardon my being a little more earnest than ordinarily on his behalf. I do likewise join with my lord of St. Asaph and the Dean of Canterbury in recommending Mr. Kidder most earnestly to succeed Dr. Patrick in Covent Garden. He is a very good, a very learned, and a very moderate man, and will, I am sure, be very acceptable both to the Earl of Bedford and the whole parish." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 6.]

Sept. 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Trelawny. What you write about Sir Thomas Grosvenor shall be laid before the king. Though my present thoughts are that, if it be sufficiently known at what time any priests or Jesuits are assembled at his or any other house, there should be no hesitation in the magistrates to order their arrest, or for the military power to assist; they taking care to distinguish between an innocent meeting of neighbours and a cabal of such whose assembly would be unlawful. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 152.]

Sept. 7. Hampton Court. Lord Melville to the Earl of Kintore. Allowing him to come up to court. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 169.]

Sept. 7. Hampton Court. The same to the Earl of Eglinton. Allowing him to come to England. [*Ibid., p.* 170.]

Sept. 7. Whitehall. Certificate that William, Lord Paget, envoy-extraordinary to the Emperor of Germany, departed on his employment on the previous day. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 129.]

Sept. 7. Whitehall. Certificate that Charles, Viscount Dursley, envoy-extraordinary to the States-General, departed on his employment on the previous day. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 8. The Camp at Iberny (?). The Marquis de Castanaga to the Prince of Waldeck. Progress of the forces under his command. Lieut.-General Calvo has retired to the Pont de Jerchin. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 110.]

Sept. 8. Newmarket. Warrant for a grant to Lord Vaughan of the office of governor of Milford Haven, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 473.]

Sept. 9. The Hague. Count de Horn to the King. Sends him, as he has been asked to do from time to time, an account of the progress of events happening during the campaign in Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 111.]

Sept. 9. Lekerscheyt, near Münster, Eifel. Count de Flodrop to the Prince of Waldeck. Progress of the forces under his command. The State's troops are in great disorder by the long marches it has been necessary to make in the mountainous country. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 112.]

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Sept. 9. Hampton Court. Warrant for a *congé d'élire* to the Dean and Chapter of Worcester to elect a bishop, the see being vacant by the death of Dr. William Thomas, and for a letter recommending Edward Stillingfleet, dean of St. Paul's, for election. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 231.]

Sept. 9. Hampton Court. Warrant for a *congé d'elire* to the Dean and Chapter of Chichester to elect a bishop, the see being vacant by the death of Dr. John Lake, and for a letter recommending Dr. Simon Patrick, dean of Peterborough, for election. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 9. Hampton Court. Warrant to Col. Henry Thornehill, receiver-general of Kent, to pay to Col. Beaumont, lieutenant of Dover Castle, the fee belonging to the constable. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 20.]

Sept. 9. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission appointing James Kendal, governor of Barbadoes, as vice-admiral of that Island. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 9. Warrant to the Chamberlain of the Household to admit James de Galigny, esq., to the office of master of the harthounds and buckhounds in like manner as John Cary and James Grahme, formerly held that office. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 453.]

Sept. 9. Whitehall. Pass for Mons. Jean Rodolf Escher, Andreas Meyer, David Werdmüller, Jean Hofmeister, Jean Conrad Escher, Thomas Werdmüller, Jean Caspar Hesse, Jaque Locher, Jaque Ulrich, Rodolf Goldschmid, and Daniel le Fort, Dutchmen, to embark at Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 454.]

Sept. 10. The Camp at Drogheda. Thomas English, "by command of the late commander-in-chief at Dundalk," to "the officer commanding-in-chief the enemy's army." I was much surprised to see the complaints and threatenings you made in your letter. "You—who against all the forms of treaty and capitulation—have not only disarmed, stripped, and otherwise cruelly used the garrison of Carrickfergus," and have likewise detained several officers as prisoners. "I have thought fit, therefore, to declare unto you that, when you shall have repaired the many injustices you have already done, restored the arms, and sent back the officers, I shall answer more precisely the particulars of your letter; for want of which satisfaction on your side, the King will retaliate the same usage towards his rebellious subjects, which he already has, or may have; and more especially towards those of the first quality." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 113.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Worcestershire. Reminds them that the parliament has enacted "such laws as are required at the present time for preserving the peace against the attempts of papists and other disaffected persons," and that it is incumbent to put them into execution. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 152.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. I have laid your letter before the King who notices your care and faithful discharge of your duty in giving advice of the inconveniences you apprehend may ensue upon some persons fomenting private quarrels, to the disturbance of the public affairs and quiet of the city, especially at this time that

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the choice is to be made of magistrates to serve, for the ensuing year. The King is concerned that such public elections should be carried on in a regular and orderly manner, and commands me to signify that he expects all persons who have a right there to choose the mayor, and sheriffs should attend, as becomes them, without falling into debates about other matters. Should any be found opposing or obstructing the business they shall be convened for, their names should be returned here with an account of their behaviour that they may be proceeded against. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 153.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. The same to the Duke of Bolton. I took the earliest opportunity of laying your letter before the King. His answers to your requests are: that Lieutenant-Colonel Holt should have a commission to command as colonel, to be given him before he embarks for the West Indies; but, to grant the same to your other lieutenant-colonel, who is not going upon service out of the kingdom, his Majesty thinks will be so inconvenient a precedent, and expose him to many solicitations, on similar occasions, that he believes you will not press him further in it. As to Captain Nicholson, his Majesty is undecided how he shall dispose of the government of New York, but, however he succeeds in this, I doubt not but he will find the benefit of your recommendation. Lieutenant Myles is to be taken care of when the affairs of New York are considered. The King has already given the post of Sub-Commissioner of Prizes, which you ask for Col. St. John, to Mr. Patten, of Portsmouth. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 154.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. His Majesty's pleasure is that you forthwith grant commissions to the captains of two such ships as shall be hired by the Postmaster-General for conveying the mails from Plymouth or Falmouth, to the most convenient port of the Bay of Biscay. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 155.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Chase and Mr. St. Loe. I have received your two letters of the 24th of August and 6th of September, with the examinations and papers inclosed in them, concerning Dr. Rich, committed by you to prison. The king commands me to tell you that he would have you take bail of him in the sum of 500*l.* for his appearance at the next assizes. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 47.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Lieut.-Col. Toby Purcell praying, as he had been bred a soldier and quitted his post of lieutenant-colonel, for a grant of such a sum as may enable him to go as a volunteer to Ireland. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs to order half-pay according to his last post. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 126.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Aspin, esq., and Elizabeth his wife, showing that, in the late civil wars, a piece of ground in the parish of Woolwich, belonging to them, was entered, and a conduit for water and leaden pipes, laid thereon, to their great loss. The petitioners having discovered a vein of sand, which would be very beneficial to them, and pray to have the said conduit demolished or satisfaction made them. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 127.]

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Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Alexander Irwin and Daniel Shirrard, praying to be employed in the army, in consideration of their having shut the gates of Londonderry against the Earl of Antrim. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 127.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John, Lord Lovelace, praying for a grant of the Ballast Office for 21 years. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 128.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Mills, William Kelly, and Stephen Crows praying for a warrant to insert them (they being left out) in the Book of Establishment of Charles II.'s servants. Referred to Monsieur D'Auverkirk. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas, Bishop of Rochester, the Dean of Westminster, and the Chapter there, praying to have compensation for their dues and services at the Coronation. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 129.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George, Earl of Suffolk, and Henry Howard, brothers of the late Earl of Suffolk, praying for reference to the Council of the fact that by a late Act of Parliament the security for payment of 20,000*l.*, part of the purchase money for Audley End. is taken away. Referred to the Treasury to take counsel's opinion thereon. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Lloyd praying to be Clerk of the Crown and Peace for the island of Jamaica. Referred to the Committee for Trade and Plantations, the King having received a good character of the petitioner, and having learnt that his brother did good service at Enniskillen. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 130.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain John Folliot showing that he had commanded a company and had been governor of Bantry fort in Ireland; he is a protestant and prays restoration to his commands. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 131.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse for the discharge of William Brody, a Scotch soldier. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 453.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Allowance of the extra expenses of Robert Molesworth, esq., envoy-extraordinary to the King of Denmark, from May 30 to Aug. 16, 1689. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 132.]

Sept. 10. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Thomas, Earl of Ailesbury, to go to Ampthill in Bedfordshire; and for John Bernard, a French protestant, to embark at Harwich, or elsewhere, for Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 130.]

Sept. 11. Doctors Commons. Declaration made before Dr. Henry Newton surrogate, by John Brome, commander of the *Lucitania Merchant* holding letters of marque to set forth against the French, that his ship is of 250 tons

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burthen, that Henry Mud of Ratcliff Cross, is owner, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 7.] *Annexing—*

Copy of the letters of marque granted to the said John Broome with an endorsement "Broome commander of the Mary Rose, letter of mart belonging to the 'Lusitania,' by which he cruised and took the 'Philip and Mary' and with her took the ship of Cyprus and others, which is no other than piracy, except [*he*] *have a letter of marque for the 'Mary Rose' and 'Philip and Mary'; if not, all their pretensions in their book are voide."* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 7(i).]

Sept. 11. Gravesend. Robert Stacey, Mayor of Gravesend, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. On Monday last six of the prisoners I caused to be taken into custody pursuant to your lordship's letter of the 5th March last, viz.:—John Scott, Gilbert Haron, James Drummond, Walter Cantwell, Alexander Petre and Garret Barry made their escape by a rope out of a window of a gallery wherein they had liberty to walk, being duly watched. There are also prisoners here, Major Darby Macarty, Adjutant Owen Macarty, Thomas Bourke, Cornelius Mahane and Miles Prance. [*Ibid., No.* 8.]

Sept. 11. Anonymous letter to the Earl of Portland. This is to acquaint you that the Great Seal of England is counterfeited, and as far as I am able to judge, for some military expedition in favour of the late King James or for imitating some orders to the great prejudice of the King. The persons who are mixed up in the matter pass for protestants. Also watch the Irish, who at present pass to Ireland. Do not neglect this warning and by some secret orders take precaution against the dangers which menace you. Excuse my writing to you in a language to which I am a stranger, but I believe that you understand little of English. [*Ibid., No.* 9.]

Sept. 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Griffin. I am unable to comprehend why you should wonder at his Majesty's proclamation, seeing it is grounded upon an address of the House of Peers; as to the prolongation of the term you desire, the King thinks he has put your appearance at as late a day as could be reasonably expected. Therefore it is for you to consider whether you will comply with the summons. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 155.]

Sept. 11. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Peter Faloyan, which sets forth that John Mill, gent, petitioner's kinsman, was convicted of manslaughter and his goods to the value of 285*l.*, were seized to the King's use. The petitioner has long been blind and unable to provide for himself, and he prays the King's bounty. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 130.]

Sept. 11. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for James Kenny and Joseph Sexton, with John Jones their servant, to embark at Harwich for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 457]; and for James du Rieux, a French protestant, to embark at Harwich, or elsewhere, for Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 130.]

Sept. 12. Belfast. Colonel E. Villiers to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I am sorry I can give you no better account of our landing here than what follows:—in the first place, my own equipage consisting of 16 horses, 5 of my captain-lieutenants, 4 of my cornets, and all my troop horses, except

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12, and 3 corporals, all dead. Of Captain Lloyd's, 6 dead, besides the *Amity*, of Whitehaven, not come in, where is his cornet and quartermaster with their own horses and 14 troopers. Of Captain Pulteney's in the *Happy Return* of Whitehaven, wanting, were all his own horses, clothes, equipage, his cornet, one corporal, one trumpet, and 16 of his troopers. Of Captain Rogers' in the *Charles*, of Whitehaven, are missing his lieutenant and quartermaster with their horses and equipage, one corporal and 14 troopers, and in the *Amity* of Whitehaven, also wanting 8 troopers. Of Captain Walpole's, 6 troopers wanting in the ship, where is also Captain Rogers' lieutenant. With the remaining part of the regiment, I march to-morrow to the Duke of Schomberg who is at Dundalk, which is 36 miles from Dublin. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 10.]

Sept. 12. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. My last despatch was dated on the 1st instant. Since then we have marched with the army as far as Newry. The officers were badly provided with horses; we have had difficulty in reaching here, and still more in getting provisions to follow. Speaks disparagingly of Shales' arrangements. We reached Newry on the 5th, where the enemy had destroyed the mills. I caused the army to rest there for a day, to await supplies from Belfast.

On the 7th, we left and came on here. Some people of the country fearing that the enemy would burn this town, persuaded me to send a trumpet to the enemy to tell them that if they continued to burn as they had done, that we should call to account for it, their officers who are our prisoners. They took my trumpet to Drogheda where they kept him four days and from which place they have sent me one of theirs with a sealed letter. As I did not return their trumpet they returned mine to me with a writing which I have sent to your Majesty. I thereupon sent them theirs. King James asked my trumpet if we intended to fight.

It is said that there is at present around Drogheda a force of 40,000 men. Desires to advance to Atherdee (?) but is hindered by the means at his disposal. The enemy, in their march, have collected all the cattle which will give them means of subsistence for a long time. Your Majesty's newly raised army is very difficult to discipline; the offices are very negligent and are jealous of the German and French troops, as is witnessed by an incident which happened yesterday, in connection with Count de Solm's guard. Lieut.-Col. Lovelace and some officers came out from their house and behaved in such a manner that the Count's guard was obliged to arrest them. An hour after, the Count sent for Lieut.-Col. Cook to remit to his custody an English soldier who had commenced the riot, and was found bayonet in hand. Cook answered him with such insolence, that having called him on the morrow before me in the presence of the Count, Lieut.-Generals Douglas, Kirke, and Bellasis, when he continued the same conduct, I cashiered him, he being one of those who seek to embroil the English with the strangers. His ill conduct has disgusted the officers of the regiment and the major, who was one of the best, has quitted the service. Suspects Cook, and the major of Lord Delamere's regiment of dishonest dealings in regard to money matters.

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I am anxious to know what number of cavalry will be sent over. My Irish lords ("my lords Irelandois") are for giving battle daily; they desire to return to their own lands and demand the confiscation of the goods of the vanquished. Amongst them is Lord Lisburn, a dangerous man in this army.

I hope your Majesty will yet send us troops from Scotland, as it seems there is not much to be feared from the enemy in that country; moreover, the assistance they expected from Carrickfergus is now prevented from reaching them. It has been necessary to leave Ingleby's regiment at Carrickfergus and also to stop the enemy's incursions from Charlemont, where they have a force of 400 men; these things together, and sickness diminish the number of our available men.

Count de Schomberg told me that he learnt from Lord Portland that your Majesty has a distrust of the English secretary that I have here whose name is Halfort [Holford ?]. Hopes another may be sent. The need of provisions causes me great anxiety. Complains of Shales' arrangements. Has received a letter from Harboard at Belfast, who has the gout in his hand. Complains of the conduct of Mons. Goulon, who is unfit to command artillery, and who pretends to a command of all the colonels of the army. Speaks well of Captain Glom, "un fort honneste garçon." Asks for instructions as to the conduct of the army which is in need of bread, and hindered in its operations in consequence. Mr. Douglas and other Scotch officers of this army are of opinion that few troops are needed for service against the enemy in the Highlands, and that your Majesty should send the rest hither. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 114.]

Sept. 12. Dundalk. The same to the same. After the memorial which I made upon our affairs here, the small number of the cavalry, and the want of discipline in the officers at their head, I received the letter with which your Majesty has honoured me, sent by Count de Schomberg, in order that I might usefully employ him. Refers to the condition of the troops, and the weather and prospects of success. Our money is silver, the enemy's is copper, and all Count d'Avaux's credit cannot give it greater value to that numerous army, which King James has advised to cut to pieces all the protestants without sparing women and children. *Holograph.* [*Ibid., No.* 115.]

Sept. 12. Burvenique. Count de Flodrop to the Prince of Waldeck. Acknowledges the receipt of the Prince's counter-orders. A junction has been effected with some dragoons and cavalry of the Elector. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 116.]

Sept. 12. Whitehall. [The Earl of Shrewsbury] to the Duke of Schomberg. I suppose you have heard that several persons were last week taken up, who were found at a seditious meeting; one confesses what the enclosed paper contains concerning Dean, a gunner now in the artillery in Ireland. *Crossed through.* [*H.O. Letter Book Secretary's* 1, *p.* 156.]

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Sept. 12. Hampton Court. The Earl of Nottingham to the Duke of Schomberg. His Majesty commands me to acquaint you that there is one Dean, a gunner who attends the artillery, against whom there are informations that he declared, before he went to Ireland, that he would take care the great guns should do King William no service, and that he would spike them. I must therefore desire you to cause him to be secured, and especially since some of the great guns have been broke, which perhaps upon examination may be further evidence of the truth of this accusation. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 48.]

Sept. 12. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Thomas Nixon, clerk, of a canonry or prebend in the metropolitan church of Canterbury, void by the death of Dr. James Jeffreys. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 29.]

Sept. 12. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Hamilton praying, in consideration of his good services in Ireland, to serve as a volunteer there. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 131.]

Sept. 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Torrington. Repeating his directions of August 19 to send the two French officers, the Sieurs de Vignole and de Forest, to London. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 21.]

Sept. 12. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of Jonathan Wilson on suspicion of dangerous practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 455.]

Sept. 12. Hampton Court. Warrant to seize, as a prize, the *North Star*, of Dunkirk, taken on the 15th of March last, on the French coast, by Captain John Kenton, commander of the *Orange* sloop, and brought into Dover. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 133.]

Sept. 13. The Earl of Nottingham to Sir Joseph Williamson. I send you herewith a paper, which was delivered to me by some of the persons mentioned in it. The most material witnesses being in your neighbourhood, I beg you to take their examinations and send up what is material, that I may acquaint the King with it. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 11 *H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 49.]

Sept. 13. The Marquis de Castanaga to the Prince of Waldeck. I have this instant learnt that Marshal D'Humieres will march with 12,000 horse and dragoons taking the Enghien road. Is alarmed for the safety of Brussels which is undefended. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 117.]

Sept. 13. The Camp at Montigny. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. The Elector of Brandenburg is, alone, the cause of my not having been able to give greater satisfaction to your Majesty and to the public; is glad that the King, as shown by his letter, appreciates this. Intends to move towards Genappe where he expects to learn what the Marquis de Castanaga desires of him. Thanks the King for horses sent to the Hague. [*Ibid., No.* 118.]

Sept. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Paul Ricaut. I received your letter with a list of ships which "that government" owns, and complains of their being taken. I understand that Lord Nottingham

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has received advices from you to the same effect, and he will send you an answer upon a debate at a Committee of the Council; therefore I shall not intermeddle with that which is his lordship's business. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 1.]

Sept. $\frac{13}{23}$. Ebersdorf. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Movements of troops on the continent. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 46.]

Sept 13. Whitehall. Allowance of the extra expenses of Sir William Dutton Colt, envoy-extraordinary to the Duke of Brunswick and Luneburg and to the Landgrave of Hesse, from May 28th to August 28th, 1689, except for fees paid to the Exchequer. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 136.]

Sept. 13. Whitehall. Passes for John Gardiner, merchant, to go to Cales [Cadiz?] in Spain and return to England [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 456]; and for Severin Holst, to embark at Harwich, or elsewhere, for Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 130.]

Sept. 14. Cobham Hall in Kent. Sir J[oseph] W[illiamson] to the Earl of Nottingham. I have received your commands concerning an information against Capt. Robert Minors, now governor of Upnor Castle. [*Ibid., No.* 12.]

Sept. 14. Order by Sir Joseph Williamson for the attendance of certain persons at Cobham Hall to give evidence as to matters relating to his Majesty's service. [*Ibid., No.* 13.]

Sept. 14. on board their Majesty's ship *Elizabeth* in Torbay. The Earl of Torrington to the Earl of Shrewsbury. This serves only to recommend to your lordship's favour the bearer, Mr. Apollos Morris, an English gentleman, who has been serviceable to the protestant interest in Ireland, and qualified to give a good account of the state of affairs in that country. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 14.]

Sept. 14 The Camp at Melle. The Prince of Waldeck to the Marquis de Castanaga. As to the march of Marshal D'Humieres and of the precautions he has taken. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 119.]

Sept. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Bristol. Acknowledges his letters, with an address to their Majesties inclosed, one of them from the Grand Jury. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 157.]

Sept. 14. Hampton Court. Lord Melville to the Earl of Crawford. Your lordship's of the 5th instant, written in the name of the Council, I received and communicated to his Majesty and am commanded to return you this answer. He is well satisfied with the readiness the Council shows to forward supplies for Ireland, especially of wheat, which by the Duke of Schomberg's letter seems to be most wanting; and though his Grace has marched southward, yet it is fit to grant warrant for transporting five or six hundred bolls of wheat to the most convenient place in the north of Ireland which the Duke of Schomberg may send for as his occasion requires.

The King has considered the prejudice it may be to his interest if fit persons are not appointed to look after and receive the rents and emoluments, particularly those consisting of tithes, which formerly did belong to the Bishops; therefore it is his pleasure that the

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Council give warrant to Alexander Hamilton of Kinkell for drawing and uplifting the tithes and other rents of the archbishopric of St. Andrews, he giving sufficient security for his faithful performance of his duty in the said office, and that the said Council do grant him a competent allowance for the same.

Also his Majesty leaves it to the Council to appoint fit persons for drawing and uplifting tithes of other bishoprics for the present year, that none suffer prejudice, excepting for the bishopric of Orkney, which his Majesty is resolved to have uplifted with the lordship. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 170.]

Sept. 14. London. News letter. Our letters from Edinburgh on the 7th instant say that their Majesties' forces begin to march from the north to this place, having left other strong garrisons to prevent any new insurrection of the Highlanders which is not much feared since most of the leading men of the clans have accepted the benefit of the indemnity as have also many of the common people and have delivered up their arms to General Mackay and taken the oaths of fidelity. On the 6th, Lord Murray, son of the Marquis of Athole, who commanded the Athole men, came thither and took the oaths. From Cantyre we have advices that Col. Bongham (*sic*) with about 80 men are landed in the Isle of Mull from Ireland to join Col. Cannon. Sir John Lanier's regiment of horse are assigned their winter quarters in Glasgow. It is said that Col. Heyford's and Col. Berkeley's regiment of dragoons are on their march to Kilberry [?] in . . . . to embark for Ireland. Mackay is returned to Donke . . . . left good garrison in the Castle of Ri . . . .

Letters from Hamburg of the 13th inform us that the thousand horse and 60 . . foot which the King of Denmark has granted to the King of Great Britain, are on their march towards Jutland, and are to embark at Kippen for Ireland, being all picked men and the flower of his army. They are to be commanded by the Prince of Wurtemberg and Major-General Tetteau.

The same letters tell us that the King of Sweden is at Gottenburg, employed in embarking the 8,000 men which he has also agreed for with the King of England, in order to ship them to Ireland.

The news from the Turkish camp, eight leagues from Belgrade on the 31st of August, is that on the 12th August, their army fled in great confusion leaving their tents, baggage, provisions and carriages, 150 brass field pieces, and a great many mortar pieces; in short they left provision sufficient to serve the whole army for one month. It was very seasonable relief for our army after living for three days on nothing but water. "The Heyduks and Hangers" are marched through the woods after them. This victory cost us 300 men and them about 600. They say the reason of this defeat was the disagreement of the spahis and janizaries, the former refusing to fight. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter* 3, *No.* 72, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 343.]

Sept. 14. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of —— Plunket, —— Carty, —— Hambleton, and —— Sonwell (?) suspected of being Jesuits. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 458.]

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Sept. 14. The like to arrest —— Smithson, and —— Ratcliffe for treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 459.]

Sept. 14. Whitehall. Pass to Mr Robert Harper and Mr. Whetley to embark at Harwich for Rotterdam. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 14. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of Simon de Brienne and Mary his wife as housekeeper and wardrobe keeper at Kingston (*sic*). [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 15. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Mons. de Scravenmoer's yacht arrived yesterday at Carlingford, and he informed me of his intention of returning to England. Some of the colonels wish to go to Ardee and talk of giving battle as a thing of little importance. Discusses the road to Ardee. I do not think it will be to the service of the King to quit this position where we can always have communication with Belfast. I have given orders to Capt. Rooke to leave Carrickfergus and go to Dublin; but he has been stayed by storms and contrary winds. I do not know how Shales can answer your Majesty with respect to his conduct about the provisions; he has sent over but two or three incapable men to dispense them. He ought, himself, to come over to Ireland, if he does not, difficulties must arise. Villiers' regiment has been dispersed by the storm and only three companies have arrived; it is believed that the remainder have made for Scotland. It is possible that Lord Hewett's regiment may have crossed at the same time. Mons. de Cambon who was quartermaster-general here, desires some appointment. The English officers, who have property in England, wish themselves home again, I would have in their place German or Scotch troops from Holland. Some of King James's officers, in visiting the Isle of Rathlin after, "un petit combat," found in "les glimes" there some sympathizers. We have no news of the English fleet from Carrickfergus. I have given orders to the frigates with me to make "diversions," on the coasts of Dublin, Cork and Kinsale; but they are hindered from doing so by the storms. Sir Henry Bellasis and Mr. Douglas desire to have regiments; the latter might, with advantage, have Lovelace's; of which I have suspended the lieutenant-colonel. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 120.]

Sept. 15. Count de Flodrop to ————. Condition of the forces under his command; opinions of the officers on the possibility of marching. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 121.]

Sept. 16. Genappe. The Prince of Waldeck to the Marquis de Castanaga. Advising him as to future operations which he thinks will be necessary. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 122.]

Sept. 16. Cobham Hall. Sir J[oseph] W[illiamson] to the Earl of Nottingham. I have this day had the witnesses concerning the information against Capt. Minors, governor of Upnor Castle, before me and have taken their depositions. One or two of the witnesses named did not appear. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 15.]

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Sept. 16. Cobham Hall. Sir Joseph Williamson to the Mayor [of Rochester]. Having received orders from Lord Nottingham to examine Agnes Dove, inhabitant of your city, and she being unable to come before me, I desire you to examine her. [*Ibid., No.* 16.]

Sept. 16. The examination of Samuel Wall, John Stevens, Mrs. Dorothy Punnett, and others before a justice of the peace for the county of Kent.

The witnesses say that about the time his Majesty came first to St. James', Capt. Minors, governor of Upnor Castle, harboured and entertained Lord Teynham, Squire, Lee, and Capt. Vernatti, known papists, and used his utmost endeavour to pass them over into France. Samuel Wall adds that, about the time that the late King James was taken at Faversham, the persons abovesaid went into the governor's house intending to be conveyed out of the land, and that he entertained them there and that Vernatti continued there to this time.

That the governor said that rather than the Prince of Orange should have the castle he would blow it up. John Squire deposes that the said governor said these words in the month of November last.

That on the day of the coronation of King William and Queen Mary the said governor, with George Rowlandson, and one Knightly, both officers of the customs, and John Young, gunner belonging to the castle, drank King James' health on their knees.

That the soldiers on the night of the coronation being desirous to drink King William and Queen Mary's health, the governor forbad them.

That the governor drank confusion to the Prince of Orange and the Dutch fleet, and that Thomas Thompson, ensign in Upnor Castle, drank damnation to the Prince of Orange at the "White Hart" tavern in Rochester.

That Andrew Butler said he would fight for none but King James, and he that would was a presbyterian rogue, and slipping up his sleeve, said he hoped to wash his hands in their blood. [*Ibid., No.* 17.]

Sept. 16. Instructions as to taking the examination of witnesses to the information against Capt. Minors. [*Ibid., No.* 18.]

Sept. 16. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Since my despatch of yesterday I have had news of the march of the enemy towards us. They are encamped to-night at Ardee. Mons. de Scravenmoer is in haste to depart. Troops have not been dispatched to Dublin and Cork, but only Capt. Rooke with five frigates, and following your orders, I have sent two small yachts ("yaghts") to fetch these back. Begs that Shales will use expedition in sending carriage for the provisions. Ships with meal and biscuit arrived yesterday at Carlingford. The Enniskillen troops lack horses. You have consulted me as to the government of Ireland. I protest that my only aim is to serve your Majesty, but at present, the conduct of the war occupies my entire attention. The title of "Lord Leftenant" will not much take my fancy when your

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Majesty does me the honour to call me by it. *Holograph.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 123.]

Sept. 16. Hampton Court. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Bedford. Having acquainted the King with what I received in your letter, he desires to hear whom you propose for minister of Covent Garden, before he decides in this matter. Finding that Dr. Patrick presses the dispatch of his *congé d'élire* I advise you not to delay naming the person you would wish to succeed him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 157.]

Sept. 16. Whitehall. Pass for Fargus Grahme and John Brignell, his servant, to embark at Dover for France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 134.]

Sept. 17. Cobham Hall. [Sir Joseph Williamson] to the Earl of Nottingham. I send you the examination of Agnes Dove to the information against the governour of Upnor Castle. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 19.]
Enclosing—
Copy of the said examination which is to the same effect as the examination of Samuel Wall and others taken on Sept. 16. [*Ibid., No.* 19(i.).]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. The King commands me to send you the enclosed memorial, presented to him by the Dutch Ambassador, and would have you order the captains of the men-of-war, designed as a convoy to Hamburg and the Baltic, to take under their protection the merchant ships bound for Amsterdam, and to sail with them so far as to see them safe in the Texel, without entering into it themselves, and then pursue their voyage. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 49.]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Whereas by our letter dated the 13th of June last, we authorised and required you to take such methods as you judged proper for procuring to our city of Glasgow the benefit of an Act made in the meeting of the Estates of Scotland appointing new elections of the magistrates and town council of all the royal boroughs within our said kingdom; but that out of the special regard you had to our right of naming the provost of our said city, you did allow them to choose all other magistrates but the provost. Yet we, considering the particular services done to us by that our said city, are resolved as a special mark of our royal favour, to allow them the choosing of their provost for the ensuing year and we do hereby authorise you to give to our said city of Glasgow all necessary assistance for procuring to them the benefit of the above-mentioned Act of the estates for the ensuing year. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 178.]

Sept. 17. Ebersdorf. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Hopes to go to Hesse Cassel towards the end of the month. The Landgrave's troops have suffered much during the siege [of Mayence ?], most of his officers being killed or wounded. Movements of the Prince of Hanover and

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Duke of Lorraine. Our great success in Ireland has been welcome news to us. This week I intend for Hamburg to provide for the winter. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 54.]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Aug. Frezer, clerk, stating that he had been chaplain to Chelsea Hospital since November 1687, and had, as yet, received no salary. Prays for a settlement of arrears and regular allowance in the future. Referred to the Paymaster of the forces for report. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 132.]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of James Roch, praying that—for his good services at Londonderry, "particularly in carrying intelligence from Major-General Kirke to the town—he may have the command of some small frigate, and present relief. Referred to the Admiralty with a recommendation of the petitioner. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Broune, stating that "having performed the duty of chief fire-master, and bombadier, in bombarding the castle of Edenborough" he was dismissed on his return to England. Prays some provision for himself. Referred to the Officer of Ordnance. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 133.]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Elizabeth, Lady Lundoris, stating that in consideration of 1,800*l.* lent by her husband to the crown, Charles II. settled upon her a pension of 500*l.* Prays for a continuation of this pension. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

Sept, 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Anne Johnson praying for a ticket for the wages of her son, William Johnson, who, having served 20 months in the *Assistance*, was dismissed at Jamaica by the captain. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 134.]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles, Earl of Monmouth, shewing that certain manors in Somersetshire were leased to ——— Carew, esq., his grandfather, for 30 years, with remainder to John, Viscount Mordaunt, his father, and praying for a renewal of the said lease. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Dr. James Dalmaigne, praying for an acquittance for the tenths (25*l.*) due to the King, "he being a poor refugunt" and not able to pay. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 135.]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Stede, gentleman, praying to be clerk of the markets in Barbadoes. Referred to the Committee for the Plantations. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to John Gostling of the dignity of a prebendary in the cathedral church of Lincoln called Leicester St Margaret's, void by the promotion of Dr. Nicholas Stratford to the bishopric of Chester. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 67, *p.* 232.]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. Recommendation by the King of John Hartcliff, one of the senior fellows of King's College, Cambridge, to be bachelor in divinity. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 30.]

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Sept. 17. Whitehall. Pass to Lieut. Robert Erwin and Ensign Auchmouty to go to Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 460.]

Sept. 17. Whitehall. Warrant to the Duke of Bolton to appoint Sir John Hobby, knight, and —— Compton, esq., as deputy-lieutenants of Hampshire [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. Revocation of the reprieve for Greenway Field, sentenced to death for killing one Charleton. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 134.]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, receivers and collectors of their Majesty's rents, revenues, &c. in Scotland, to pay 50*l.* to John Roos, engraver in London. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 171.]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. Warrant to the same to pay so much daily allowance as will amount to two-third parts of a lieutenant's pay, to Sir David Moncrief. [*Ibid., p.* 172.]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of sheriff of Selkirk to James Murray of Philiphaugh. [*Ibid., p.* 177.]

Sept. 17. Hampton Court. Commissions for —— Crichton to be cornet of Captain Henry Balfour's troop in their Majesties' regiment of dragoons in Scotland [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 172]; for ——— McDougall to be cornet of Major Mackay's troop in Sir Thomas Levingstone's regiment of dragoons in Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 173]; for Andrew Agnew to be lieutenant of Captain Levingstone's troop in their Majesties' regiment of dragoons in Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 174]; for William Arrot to be lieut.-colonel of the Earl of Leven's regiment of foot in Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 175]; for James Wallang to be lieutenant of Sir William Douglas' troop in Sir Thomas Levingstone's regiment of dragoons in Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 176.]

Sept. 18. Berwick. Sir Rupert Billingsley to the Earl of Shrewsbury. In April, I gave your lordship an account of my seizing one Vaudry, a papist, one Mr. Kingsley, and one Comins, an Irish papist, who were going, they said, to serve King James. They are still in custody; Mr. Kingsley has taken the oaths and will take the sacrament according to the Church of England. He is willing to serve their Majesties. I desire your commands in this affair. *Seal broken.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 20.]

Sept. 18. Isle of Man. J. K. to the same. Recommending to the King's consideration Capt. John Ferrers, a distressed protestant of Dromore in the county of Down, who has incurred great losses and is now starving. He has converted over 40 persons from popery. *Seal of arms.* [*Ibid., No.* 21.]

Sept. 18. The Camp at Genappe. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Since my last, the enemy has encamped near Lessines. I am here to guard Brussels, awaiting the resolution of the Marquis of Gastanaga, and the arrival of Count de Flodrop with the cavalry. Meanwhile, the English suffer from sickness, temperament, "nonchalance," wretched clothing, and want

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of shoes. The Earl of Marlborough does his best. I have been obliged to send the four English regiments which he has named, to Breda. Mons. Van der Cloese has shewn me a letter from the Council of State asking my opinion, and that of Count, and Prince de Nassau on the subject of winter quarters for the army. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 124.]

Sept 18. Lisburn. W. Harboard to —— I will not fail to subsist Col. Langston's regiment, as His Majesty is pleased to direct. At Chester I paid Major Scravenmoer and Bolton, as directed. I will do what I can for the German horse when they arrive, though I hope to God we shall not delay a battle till then; if we do, we shall lose more than they will be able to balance. The English and French soldiers have already quite ruined this country, especially the latter, by stealing or taking away all the country people's horses; the crops now rot on the ground for want of cattle to [get] them in.

Upon the Duke's dismal letters of the great want of the army I attempted to help him. I summoned all the inhabitants that had any corn within ten miles of this town to bring it to market, and gave them an assurance that they should go safe home with their cattle. Upon this, great numbers came in, and on their arrival Col. Villiers' men, who had lost their horses at sea, seized upon them to my discredit and the preventing of further supplies, whereas if faith had been kept, I am satisfied that in two or three market days a foundation would have been laid for 100,000 quarters of oats to be laid up in the Castle here. This practice is not only here, but at Carrickfergus, Belfast, and all the places where the army or any sick men, newly recovered, pass. On my soul, the lions in Africa are not more barbarous than some of our officers are to their sick men, whose bravery and steadiness is so remarkable, that, even reduced to the last extremities of want, they pray for the King, bemoaning their want of health, but complain of their officers. I have done all I can to help them, and given their subsistence to the magistrates, sent them bread, &c., and given them money to march to the camp, when able.

I hear many of our provision ships are come into Carlingford, and that ovens are making at Dundalk, for bread. Brandy has got to 8*s.* per quart, horseshoes to 3*s.*, bread to 3*d* per pound, and no hay nor oats to be had. It will be very advisable, the next spring, to take the clothing of the army into his Majesty's hands. To see troopers without boots, cloaks, and carbine belts, is no wonder, and the foot to have no surtouts for a winter campaign must needs destroy men who encamp and do night duty in the open air. Pray hasten away Mr. Shales with the waggons and horses. I am amazed he complains of my not giving him money; for although I had no orders to pay him a penny, and I saw the Lords of the Treasury weary of his many bills, yet I left in Sir Joshua Allen's hands two bills, the first to be paid at sight at Liverpool for 1,000*l.* and the second for 2,000*l.*, payable at 14 days sight, and made assignments on the backside to Mr. Shales, in case he had not already received a supply for his occasions from the Lords of the Treasury. The weather begins to mend, and I hope, if great care be taken of our private men, we shall do well

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enough; for certainly never army had such officers as these in the Irish army. I daresay they can neither write nor read. [*S.P., Ireland* 352, *No.* 13.]

Sept. 18. Warrant to Sir John Dalrymple, Advocate for Scotland, for subscribing the docquet of Lord Melville's warrant for a yearly pension of 1,000*l.* to his lordship's principal secretary for Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 179.]

Sept. 18. Hampton Court. Blank commissions for cornets and lieutenants in dragoon regiments in Scotland. [*Ibid., pp.* 180, 181, 182.]

Sept. 18. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant of letters patent to John Green, gent., for his invention of "a new carriage and way of hanging coaches and chariots, which for ease and safety of riding, turning in narrow streets and lanes, and manner of coachman's sitting, differs from, and exceeds, all that were ever made or invented, and that notwithstanding the rough and unevenness of any pavement, or road, the riding will be very near as easy as in a chair or sedan, and altogether as safe, the body alwaies hanging perpendicular, though the wheels should overturne." The patent to endure for 14 years [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 461.]

Sept. 18. Passes for Martin Bocket to go to Dover and embark for France [*Ibid., p.* 460]; and for William Goddin and John Booth, two poor soldiers, to go to Ireland. [*Ibid., p.* 461.]

Sept. 19. Count de Flodrop to the Prince of Waldeck. Has arrived near Liége. Describes the movements of the troops and condition of the country. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 125.] *Annexing:—*

The Prince of Waldeck to Count de Flodrop. I learn with the greatest surprise that you have delayed a march that I ordered you to accelerate. From Bois de Seigneur Isaac. Sept. 21, 1689. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 125(i).]

Sept. 19. Balch. Count de Flodrop to the Prince of Waldeck. Acknowledges the news of the march towards Genappe. Movements of the forces under his (Flodrop's) command. *Copy.* [*Ibid. No.* 126.] *Annexing:—*

The Prince of Waldeck to Count Flodrop. Acknowledges the receipt of the above letter. The Marquis of Castanaga will be at Brussels to-morrow. Copy. Sept. 22, 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 126(i).]

Sept. 19. Calken. The Marquis of Castanaga to the Prince of Waldeck. Acknowledges the receipt of the Prince's letter of the 15th. Has hastened his march and reached this place yesterday evening; it is near Ghent. Position of the Count de Horn, and movements of the various regiments. [*Ibid., No.* 127.]

Sept. 19. Whitehall. [The Earl of Nottingham] to the Archbishop of York. The King commands me to acquaint you that he has thought fit to issue a commission under the Great Seal of England, to you and several bishops, deans, and others of the clergy, to prepare such alterations and amendments of the liturgy and canons, and such proposals for

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the reformation of ecclesiastical courts, and to consider of such other matters as may most conduce to the good order, edification, and unity of the Church of England, so that their resolutions may be in readiness to be offered to the Convocation at their next meeting, and, when approved by them, may be presented to his Majesty, and the two Houses of Parliament; so that, if it shall be judged fit, they may be established in due form of law. I am further commanded to acquaint you that the bishops and clergy, in and about the city, think the 3rd of October next the most convenient day for the first meeting, in or near London, at which you are desired to be present. Similar letters to the bishops of Winchester, Rochester, Carlisle, Exeter, Salisbury, and Bangor; the deans of Winchester, Norwich, and Christchurch, and to doctors Jane, Hall, Mountague, Beaumont, and Goodman. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 50.]

Sept. 19. Hampton Court. The King to the City of Glasgow. Whereas we understanding that the naming of your Provost does properly belong to us "and, there being no bishop," it is now in our power, yet, in consideration of the particular service done to us by that our city, we are resolved to empower you to choose your own Provost for the ensuing year. [*S.P., Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 183.]

Sept. 19. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the inhabitants of Saffron Walden in Essex, praying for a charter of incorporation. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 135.]

Sept. 20. Conway in Carnarvonshire. Thomas Burton to James Vernon, secretary to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I beg of you to assure the Earl of Shrewsbury of my readiness to serve him. I desire you also to represent to him the want of commissioners of the peace in the counties of Merioneth, Carnarvon, and Anglesey, to the great prejudice of his Majesty's affairs. It will be to his Majesty's service to have such commissions dispatched, to be here before I go out of this circuit, which will not be this month. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 22.]

Sept. 20. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Your Majesty will receive, by Mons. de Scravenmoer, two of my despatches; and more information from him personally. He left four days ago, since which, nothing important has happened. We have foraged in face of the enemy; it is difficult to come to battle in this country. I do not see why we should risk anything on our side. I went this morning to find Count Schomberg and saw a body of cavalry in advance, which appeared to be King James, or several general officers. They could see our camp; the sight of vessels in Dundalk Roads must be displeasing to them, as they may now judge they cannot starve us The enemy's plans are uncertain.

Colonel Wolseley (?) has arrived here with a party of Enniskillen troops and divers prisoners, the principal being Macarty, for whom the air here is so bad that it is thought he cannot be cured of his wounds, and asks to be transferred: the only place I can suggest for this is Carrickfergus Castle. He proposes to quit the service, and, if released, to retire to England, and promises never again to serve against your Majesty. Suggests an exchange with Lord Mountjoy, a prisoner in the Bastille.

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Two of the enemy's troopers who have surrendered, tell of men leaving their forces, and are sure of further desertions. Movements of the enemy. Lucan's dragoons serve best here. Harboard has arrived; arrangements for pay and clothing of the troops. Opinion of the officers; there is none capable of being employed as brigadier. The condition of Schomberg's own regiment, which is disturbed by the pretensions of Mons. de Romagnac, who pretends to be its commander by virtue of your Majesty's commission to him as colonel. Major De la Bastide asks for a brevet as lieut.-colonel, as was given to "Mons. de Belcastle."

Reminds the King of that part of his despatch relating to Robert Brodnax, major of Lord Delamere's regiment, which regiment is entirely wasted away; there are many officers whom I should be glad to see back in England. The colonels only care to making a living by their regiments. Mr. Villiers has shown me his patent from King James as brigadier; I told him he should write about it to your Majesty. Of all the officers here, there are few fit to command a brigade of cavalry.

21 *September.* Mr. Harboard and I have fixed the pay of the Enniskillen troops at a rate so reasonable that I believe your Majesty will be content with it. If during the winter it becomes necessary to make a reform ["reforme"] it will be better to make it on regiments levied by the Irish lords. This morning some of the enemy appeared near this camp. We judged by their cries that King James was passing before their battalions. Their movements are intended to draw deserters from us. This caused me to examine more closely the regiments of French infantry, amongst which are many papists. Treachery has been discovered amongst these and arrests made. Those arrested deserve to be sent to the West Indies as they sent the protestants to America.

23 *September.* Despite the ill reception I have given to the enemy's trumpets previously sent, they sent another to-day, whose passport I send you together with a letter he carried to Lord Lisburn, from which we may judge that their great hope is to draw away some of our regiments.

27 *September.* Mr. Shales has at last arrived at Carlingford. Progress of the foraging. Yesterday the enemy burnt such of the forage as was left. They, too, have their wants. Needs of our troops in respect of clothes and shoes. King James desires to give battle before his army breaks up on account of bad weather which will soon begin. Proposes to lie here on the defensive. Suspects the fidelity of Lord Meath's regiment. Colonel Wolseley (?) suggests sending it to Enniskillen. The judgment upon the French, of which I have already spoken to your Majesty has been carried out, the captain of the cavalry and five others were hanged yesterday. Amongst others that I have caused to be arrested are some Germans and gentlemen of Flanders who are papists; they complained that they were wronged and that they wished to serve faithfully; but I have thought better to purge all these corps, and to send them [the papists] back to Hoylake. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 128.]

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Sept. 20. "The present disposition of their Majesties' forces." In Holland, horse, 710, foot, 9,620. In Ireland (with the Danes), horse 4,090, foot, 29,954, dragoons, 840. In England, English horse, 938, foot, 11,960. In Holland, horse 2,594, foot 3,400, dragoons, 920. In Scotland, English horse, 300, foot, 5,160, dragoons, 720, Scots' horse, 600, foot, 6,001, dragoons, 300. The Dutch forces in England were; horse, a troop of guards, in London, a regiment of guards at Guildford, Ginckell's regiment at Waltham, Monpouillan's, Scravenmoer's, Van Oye's, Zulestein's, Schieck's and Boucour's in the north; Van Lippe's at Hounslow and Riedessell's at Chelmsford. The names of the colonels in the English and Scotch regiments are set out. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, No. 129.]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. Three of the messengers, viz.:—Young, Collins, and Bale having been lately sent to Madrid, Leghorne, and Ireland; they have expended great sums of money on their journeys, as well of their own, as borrowed, and it would be very prejudicial to them not to be reimbursed. I recommend them to you in enabling the Treasurer of the Chamber to discharge their bills. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 158.]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. I am to signify his Majesty's pleasure that William Bridgman, esq., be inserted in the Commission of the Peace for Middlesex, and the city of Westminster. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Clare. Recommending Mr. William Bridgman as a person very useful to the lieutenancy of Middlesex; he has had many years' experience in those affairs. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Mayor of Rochester. You are to summon Samuel Wall, Mr. Ponnet, John Stevens, John Squire, Catherine Whitfield, Thomas Axell, Agnes Dove, Isaac Sparks, John Taylor, Mr. Pearse, John Philips, John Newton, Mr. Bowers, Nicholas Wall, and William Kidd; George Robinson, —— Knightley, a customs officer, Joan Wood, John Clark, Edmund Coppen, and —— Clifton to attend certain Lords of his Majesty's Privy Council at my Lord Shrewsbury's Office, in Whitehall, on Friday next the 27th instant at three o'clock in the afternoon. *Note* Knightly is discharged. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 52.]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. The same to Captain Minors. You that are to attend the above meeting. Pray acquaint John Young, gunner, belonging to Upnor Castle, and Andrew Butler, that they are to attend likewise at the same time. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 53.]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King commands me to acquaint you that he would have you insert Sir Edward Villiers, knight-marshal, in the commission of the peace for the counties of Middlesex and Surrey, and for the city of Westminster. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 54.]

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Sept. 20. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Whereas we understanding that James Murray, of Philiphaugh, was unjustly put out of the sheriffship of Selkirk to make way for persons who were designed for that office, to use great severity and extort heavy exactions from the lieges of that shire, therefore you are to make a trial in this affair, and if injustice has been done to the "said Philiphaugh," we require you presently to replace him in the exercise of the said office. [*S.P., O.S. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 183.]

Sept. 20. Hamburg. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. I came here last night, for four or five days, to provide myself with some things necessary for the winter, our court being in mourning, and to see Sir Paul [Ricaut] and some friends. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 58.]

Sept. 20. A list of the places in the gift of the Lord Chamberlain:—groom-porter, serjeant-at-arms, musicians, all wardrobe keepers and keepers of privy lodgings in all his Majesty's houses, physicians, apothecaries, surgeons, knight-harbinger, master of the "tents, toiles, hails, and pavilions," and all places belonging to it, master of the revels and all places belonging to it, keeper of the cormorants, master of the King's barges, serjeant-trumpet and trumpeters, drum-major and drummers, jewellers, surveyor of the dresser, keeper of the theatre in Whitehall, clerk of the robes and wardrobes, watchmakers and clockmaker, locksmith, master of the ceremonies and all places belonging to it, master of the bears, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 85.]

Sept. 20. Hampton Court. Warrant for the appointment of Edward Batten, esq., as sub-commissioner for prizes at Portsmouth, vice Oliver St. John, esq., deceased. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 462.]

Sept. 20. Warrant to search the house of —— Hindmarsh, for treasonable papers, and, if any be found, to arrest him. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 20. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Sir Thomas Pinfold of the office of Advocate-General in all matters, ecclesiastical, maritime, and foreign. [*Ibid., p.* 485.]

Sept. 20. Passes for Mons. Hertaut to embark at Harwich for Holland; and or Edmund Condon to go to Flanders. [*Ibid., p.* 461.]

Sept. 21. Memorandum "of what may serve for the payment of two regiments of dragoons," consisting of 12 troops, two regiments of foot each of 12 companies, and the necessary garrisons. 65*l. per diem* will be required for the dragoons on the present establishment, and 65*l.* 10*s.* for the foot. "To the end the two regiments may kepe the necessarie smal garisons in the hills, to each regiment should be added a 13th companie," which two additional companies will cost 5*l.* 3*s.*

To the Inverlochy garrison; the governor, besides his companies, 12*s.* the deputy-governor, besides his companies, 7*s.*; the major, 5*s.*; four captains, 1*l.* 12*s.*; four lieutenants, 16*s.*; four ensigns, 12*s.*; eight serjeants, 12*s.*; twelve corporals, 12*s.*; four "drums," 4*s.*; 280 sentinels, 6*d.* a day; a "minister," 5*s.*; surgeon, 5*s.*

Estimates follow for the garrison at Edinburgh Castle, a captain, lieutenant, ensign, 3 sergeants, 4 corporals, 2 "drums," 116 sentinels,

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a master-gunner and 5 gunners, a porter and a gunsmith. Sterling Castle, Dumbarton Castle, and the "Bass," in which was a lieut.-governor, a sergeant, a corporal, 23 sentinels, and a gunner. In Scotland it had been usual to count the month as 28 days. The garrison at Blackeness is not mentioned because it is found useless.

Endorsed: "Paid to Mr. Vanderesh for the use of the Dutch forces from the 31st of December, 1688 to the 21st Sept. 1689, 347,500*l.*" [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 130.]

Sept. 21–22. Copies of letters.—The Marquis of Gastanaga to the Prince of Waldeck. Has marched this morning with the troops from the camp at Grimberge, near Dendermonde, to encamp between Villebrouck and Tissel. Dated at the Camp at Tissel.

The Marquis of Warnies to the Marquis de Gastanaga. Movements and strength of Marshal D'Humière's forces, which had designs on Brussels.

The Prince of Waldeck to the Marquis de Gastanaga.—Acknowledging the receipt of the above letter from Gastanaga. Copy. Bois de Seigneur Isaac, Sept. 22, 1689. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 131.]

Sept. 21. The Camp at Bois de Seigneur Isaac. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Describes what has passed between the Marquis de Gastanaga and himself relative to the operations and condition of the army. News from Count de Flodrop. The Prince of Nassau has arrived. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 132.]

Sept. 21. Bois de Seigneur Isaac. The same to the same. Has just learnt that the council of state has given the post of mayor of Breda to Momaan (?). The Duke of Lorraine and the Elector of Brandenburg wish me to approach the Meuse whilst Marshal D'Humières is ahead of me. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 133.]

Sept. 21. The same to ————. Enclosing the postscript to the letter he has received from Count de Flodrop about the Elector. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 134.]

Sept. 21. The Camp at Bois de Seigneur. Isaac. The same to the Marquis de Gastanaga. Advises him as to the route to take in coming to Brussels, and informs him of the movements of Count de Flodrop. The Elector of Brandenburg, by the advice of the Duke of Lorraine, desires me to march towards the Meuse to cover the siege of Bonn. *Copy.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 135.]

Sept. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the keeper of the Northgate. Major Matthews is now in your custody; at the request of his friends here, I desire you will show him as much kindness and civility as is consistent with his safe keeping. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 159.]

Sept. 21. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Trelawny. An exchange has been proposed between Captain Clayton of the Duke of Bolton's regiment, designed for the West Indies, and Captain Foulke of Sir James Leslie's regiment, for the convenience of the latter, who is appointed a lieutenant-governor of one of the Leeward Islands. I desire you to inform me if this proposal is agreeable to Captain Clayton, who, I understand, has "considerable concerns" in Ireland, and has the reputation of being a good officer. The Commissioners are desirous

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to continue him in the King's service, and by this means he may have an opportunity either to pass into Ireland, with the regiment he is designed for, or it will not be difficult to find another exchange to bring him thither, if Sir James Leslie should not be ordered into that kingdom. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1.]

Sept. 21. Hampton Court. Lord Melville to the Earl of Nottingham. "There is a gentleman, one, Mr. Ker, who was lately taken up on your lordship's warrant; his friends are very considerable, and well affected to the present government, and upon their application his Majesty has condescended to set Mr. Ker at liberty, upon his word of honour, to live peaceably towards the government providing there is not proof against him for any misdemeanor." [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 184.]

Sept. 21. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Ordering a continuance of the adjournment of the Parliament to 20th December next. [*Ibid., p.* 185.]

Sept. 21. Post-warrant for Mr. Wassenaer, a Dutch ensign, to go to Ockingham. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 461.]

Sept. 22. The Marquis de Gastanaga to the Prince of Waldeck. As to the movements of the troops. Is in some apprehension concerning the country of Waes (?). *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 136.] *Annexing—*

The Prince's answer to the foregoing. Bois de Seigneur Isaac, Sept. 27, 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 136 (i).]

Sept. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Chief Justice Holt. His Majesty's pleasure is that you attend him at Hampton Court on Thursday morning next. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 160.]

Sept. 22. Hampton Court. Warrant for a commission to Edmund Waller, esq., of Hall Barne, in the parish of Beaconsfield, co. Bucks, to be Recorder of Chipping Wycombe. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 463.]

Sept. 22. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Christopher, Viscount Hatton, of the office of *Custos Rotulorum* for the county of Northampton. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 136.]

Sept. 23. Lord Brandon to Mr. Vernon. I am now on my progress through Wales where I find the common people well inclined, and I hope to put things in a good posture here. The deputy-lieutenant of Lancashire has been very active for his Majesty's service, and I think it will be of great consequence for my Lord Shrewsbury to send them a letter of thanks, directed to Sir Ralph Assheton, to be communicated to the rest. P.S.—I met Mons. Scravenmoer, by whom I find all things are not so well in Ireland as is suspected, and, therefore, I shall not yet release the papists of Lancashire. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 23.]

Sep. 23. Bois de Seigneur Isaac. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Describes the state of affairs with the army, and the outlook. The Elector of Brandenburg's attack on Bonn. The French destroy and burn the châteaux and

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towns in Luxemburg. The English are somewhat disliked here, in consequence of their want of order. The Earl of Marlborough does his best to remedy this, but finds it a difficult task. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 137.]

Sept. 23. "Our Camp near the Bridge of Assain." Pass granted by James II. to John Heyland, one of his trumpets, from the camp to the place where the "forces lately come out of England" are encamped upon the special service of the King. *Signed* "James R." [*Ibid., No.* 138.]

Sept. 23. J. Luttrell to Lord Lisburn "in or about Dundalk, or in his absence "to the Earl of Meath." On Friday last two servants of mine deserted, by name Short and Malow, the one my "valet de shambur, the other my couke," with two boys and four horses. As the desertion of servants is never "countenansed in any army by men of honor," I beg your lordship to use interest with the General to have them sent back, and I promise to return the favour to any of you, on the like occasions. "If you could persuade your commanders to respect their martial interprises for one day, I would not get half a score of your acquaintance, with a hundred pistols each, to meet you half way with box and dice." *Seal.* [*Ibid., No.* 139.]

Sept. 23. At the Camp of Dundalk. Col. La Caillemote to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I will give you an account of the misfortunes which have come as well upon the regiment which the King has given me as upon the other French regiments. Our zeal to serve him made us form in three months a corps of near 800 disciplined and serviceable men. During their marches in England, there were few stragglers and only two deserters, and they Flemings. Before crossing the sea, I gave leave to any to go who desired from conscientious motives or want of courage; only one new convert left and engaged himself in Hamilton's regiment. To try our new troops we marched to Carrickfergus where they did their duty very well, as Mr. Douglas and Count de Solms said. Unfortunately, some recruits arrived from Flanders, all Roman Catholics in disguise, of whom hitherto we had but few. Before we had time for reflection four of these deserted, but were caught and shot. I would have got rid of the known papists had I known where to send them. Six weeks later we discovered that King James and his friend D'Avaux sent spies with letters to the French papists, promising pardon and recompense to those who would join him. Five men of three regiments designed to desert, at the instigation of a gentleman who had been captain of cavalry in France. He was afterwards in the regiment of La Meloniere and desired to make his peace with France at our expense. We watched the papists, and arrested them when they were on the point of departure, with letters in which the said gentleman demanded the command of those men he could persuade to desert. The gentleman was broke upon the wheel and his associates hanged, after being examined. The mob have cast a slur upon us poor refugees the name of French (which we so wrongly bear since we have nothing in France, but the liberty to breathe the air), our different manner of warfare, and our great attention to duty cause us to be hated and despised by the English.

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I have turned away 57 French, Swiss, Flemings and Germans. I would give 200 pieces for as many veritable protestants who would serve. I have sent to England for recruits. We have lost 160 men in the three regiments, but our battalions are still strong. [*S.P., Ireland* 352, *No.* 14.]

Sept. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Viscount Sydney. Having received information that there is a considerable quantity of arms hidden in the house of Sir Robert Guildford at Biddenden, in Kent, or in the ponds thereabouts, and that there are frequent cabals or meetings of divers papists, and other disaffected persons, at the house of one Weckenhall of Peckham, near Tunbridge, I give you notice thereof that you may take such steps as may be necessary. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 160.]

Sept. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King commands me to acquaint you that he would have you give order for preparing, forthwith, write for summoning a convocation to meet on the 19th October, that so they may be in readiness to be issued when the order, in due form, shall be delivered to you, which will be despatched on Thursday next, in Council. I am likewise to desire that you will be in town on Thursday next to seal a proclamation for the sitting of the Parliament which will be brought to you that day in the afternoon, so that they may be sent away that night into the several counties. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 53.]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for payment of 50*s.* a day to John Andrew Eckhart, esq., President at Brussels. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 464.]

Sept. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to search the lodgings of one the said Momford, in the house of Thomas Clerk, for treasonable papers; and, if any are found, to arrest Momford. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 465.]

Sept. 23. The like for the arrest of Daniel Cabe, Mrs. Glass, and a Frenchman for treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to Captain Jones, master of the new prison, to detain in custody Ralph Gray for dispersing a treasonable and seditious paper, intitled "the Coronation Song," &c. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 466.]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to John Tillotson, D.D., dean of Canterbury, of the deanery of St. Paul's, void by the promotion of Dr. Edward Stillingfleet to the bishopric of Worcester. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 31.]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for the restitution of temporalities to Nicholas, Bishop of Chester, to commence from the death of Dr. Thomas Cartwright, the late bishop. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 32.]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to John Tillotson, D.D., one of their Majesty's chaplains in ordinary, of the prebend of Newington in St. Paul's Cathedral, void by the promotion of Dr. Stillingfleet, to the bishopric of Worcester. [*Ibid.*]

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Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to John Sharpe, D.D., of the deanery of Canterbury, void by the translation of Dr. John Tillotson, to the deanery of St. Paul's. [*Ibid., p.* 33.]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for a grant to Henry Fairfax, D.D., of the deanery of Norwich, void by the translation of Dr. John Sharpe to the deanery of Canterbury. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Richard Kidder, B.D., of the deanery of Peterborough, void by the promotion of Dr. Simon Patrick to the bishopric of Chichester. [*Ibid., p.* 34.]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for appointment of William Stanley, D.D., prebendary of Cadington Major in the Church of St. Paul's as a canon residentiary of St. Paul's. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Leopold William Finch, M.A., of a canonry or prebendary of the metropolitan church of Canterbury, void by the promotion of Dr. Edward Stillingfleet, to the bishopric of Worcester. [*Ibid., p.* 35.]

Sept. 23. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Peter Birch, D.D., of the prebend of the collegiate church of St. Peter, Westminster, void by the promotion of Dr. Simon Patrick to the bishopric of Chichester. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is his Majesty's pleasure that the Earl of Macclesfield be *Custos Rotulorum* for the counties of Hereford, Monmouth, and Brecknock, Sir Rowland Gwyn for Radnorshire, Sir William Williams, for Merionethshire, William Williams, esq., for Denbighshire, Nicholas Bagnoll, esq., for Anglesey, Colonel Whiteley, for Flint, and Edward Russell, esq., for Carnarvonshire; you are to prepare bills accordingly. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 159.]

Sept. 24. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Hastings. I have acquainted the King with the desires contained in your letter, which his Majesty would have granted, were there not urgent reasons for your being at the head of your regiment at the present time, when he believes it much easier to find one fit to be intrusted with the accounts of your regiment, than to supply your place there. I do not doubt but the consideration for the King's service will induce you to take a more suitable opportunity for your coming here, which you may depend will be allowed as soon as you can be spared. [*Ibid., p.* 161.]

Sept. 24. Whitehall. The same to Lieut.-Colonel Monro. I have laid the condition of your battalion before her Majesty, who had given directions to Lord Ranelagh concerning you, and I find that 1,500*l.* has been advanced to your agent on account of the battalion and that the subsistence is now ordered to be paid weekly which you may expect will be complied with though they comment on the fact that, in all this time, they have not seen one muster roll. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 24. The *Deptford* off Cork. Capt. G. Rooke to [the Earl of Shrewsbury] I have received your letter and the Duke of Schomberg's orders to sail out of St. George's Channel and cruize on this coast. I sailed from Carrickfergus on 13th instant, and hearing the Duke was before Drogheda, I touched

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the Skerries and landed about 200 men who beat the people that pretended to defend the town, but seeing the hills covered with horse and foot, who I concluded to be the Irish army, I ordered our men to retreat to the pier where we staved and burnt all the small vessels and fishing boats. From thence I came to Dublin Bay, but a storm arising we were forced away without effecting any service. On the 18th I arrived here and on 20th sent into the harbour of Cork for intelligence of our army, and to assure the people of their Majesties' protection in case of their submission; but the Irish having fortified the harbour mouth, fired upon our vessels. We, however, landed and possessed ourselves of the Great Island and took what cattle and other things we pleased. We then went up the Narrow Passage and brought away an Irish pink laded with sugar. The guns might be easily taken from the shore. I shall be forced to come home about the 10th or 12th of next month, our ships are so foul. *Copy.* [*S.P., Ireland* 352, No. 15.]

Sept. 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Hon. Thomas Wharton. Having received information that Mr. Dormer of Lamend, in Buckinghamshire, is a professed and known papist, and that he has in his custody several good and able horses, I give you notice of this. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*, 1, *p.* 162.]

Sept. 25. The same to Sir John Cutler. A similar letter concerning the Dowager Lady Stafford. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 25. The same to the Duke of Bolton. A similar letter concerning Sir —— Wells of Rogate, in Hampshire. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 25. The same to Sir William Bush, high sheriff of Lincolnshire. A similar letter concerning Sir William Tyrwhitt, and Mr. Heneage of Lincoln. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 25. Dundalk. Lord Lisburn to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. We have now been encamped here twenty days and are very strongly entrenched; the late King and his whole army are encamped about two miles from us on the road to Dublin near Ardee, a place I wish we had possessed, and which we might have done with ease. The enemy braved us on Saturday last and came with several battalions, both horse and foot, within musket shot of our guards; we only gazed at them till they returned to their camp and on Monday last they burnt all the forage on that side. I never believed a tattered, cowardly, beaten Irish army would have been the first to offer battle, but great generals have designs that are incomprehensible to their inferior officers. The weather has been extraordinarily bad and our camp being in a cold place, our men fall daily sick in great numbers. By staying for recruits we shall lose more and better men than at this season of the year can possibly come to us. When our army was in strength and vigour we might have performed anything. I, with many others, are disappointed that we did not march from Carrickfergus straight to Dublin. There is a sort of plot discovered amongst the French, and one will be broken on the wheel this day and others hanged, several hundred Roman Catholics, all French, are seized and sent to England. It is certain they designed

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going to King James. We are pleased no such crime can be imputed to our English regiments. We have great scarcity of all sorts of provisions. The great ones here expect to have considerable grants of forfeited estates, I wish your lordship would get a grant of all the Talbot estates that will become forfeited in Ireland, to this your name entitles you. My Lord of Ormond, Lord Clancarty, Lord Kildare, Lord Clanricard and many others had all the forfeited lands of their names given them by King Charles II. This was the practice in Queen Mary's time and in every Irish rebellion since, that the forfeited lands were disposed of to the English nobility. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 16.]

Sept. 25. Doctors' Commons. Sir Charles Hedges to the Commissioners of the Admiralty, concerning the claims to the ship *Tobias*, of Hamburg, seized by Capt. Cawsey. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 15.]

Sept. 25. Whitehall. Pass for Charles Marc, a French protestant, to embark at Harwich for Holland, recommended by Mr. Jolivet. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 136.]

Sept. 26. Abberston. The Duke of Bolton to James Vernon. I can never pay you the kindness you deserve. Lord Shrewsbury fully acquainted me with his Majesty's approbation of the deputy-lieutenants. I hope to be in London before the sitting of Parliament, if my side, which I hurt in a fall in the forest, will permit. You and Lord Shrewsbury will do me a great kindness to assist Capt. Nicholson. *Seal.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 24.]

Sept. 26. and Oct. 1. Abstract of the muster of the army, taken at the camp at Dundalk.

Horse. The Duke of Schomberg's "French regiment" numbered 532; 126 of this number are described as "reformed officers." Col. Edward Villiers' regiment, numbered 296; Lord Delamere's, 292; Col. John Coy's, 298; Lord Hewett's, 301; Lord Cavendish's, 296; and the "Enniskillen Horse" 900. From the last regiment there had been a considerable number of dessertions.

Dragoons. The regiments are Col. Richard Leveson's and the "Enniskillen Dragoons"; total force, 623.

Foot. The regiments are Major-Gen. Kirke's; Col. John Beaumont's; Col. William Stewart's; Sir John Hanmer's; Col. Henry Wharton's; the Earl of Meath's; the Duke of Norfolk's; Lord Lovelace's; Lord Kingston's; Sir Thomas Gore's; the Earl of Roscommon's; the Earl of Drogheda's; Col. Thomas Farl's; Lord Lisburn's; Sir Edward Dering's; Col. Charles Herbert's; Sir Henry Ingoldsby's; Col. Du Cambon's; Col. De Meloniere's; Col. De Caillemote's; Col. Tiffins; "Enkisttin's" and Col. Thomas Lloyd's. Total available strength, 18,888, including 353 "reformed officers." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 140.]

Sept. 26. Abstract of the muster of Lord Colchester's regiment of horse, and Colonel Berkeley's regiment of dragoons, taken in Scotland by order of Major-General Mackay. Lord Colchester's horse was composed of his own troop and Lieut. Colonel Staple's, Captain Windsor's, Sir William Clark's, Captain Wentworth's, and Captain

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Morton's troops; total 300. Five out of each troop were detached for service in Holland. Colonel Berkeley's dragoons consisted of his own troop and Lieut.-Colonel Haroby's, Major Windham's, Captain Smith's and Captain Mortimor's troop, total 360 men. [*Ibid., No.* 141.]

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. Warrant for the royal assent and confirmation of the election of Dr. Simon Patrick to the see of Chichester. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 53, *p.* 232.]

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. Warrant for the royal assent and confirmation of the election of Dr. Edward Stillingfleet to the see of Worcester. [*Ibid, p.* 233.]

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. Proclamation for the careful custody and well ordering of the New River brought from Chadwell and Amwell to the north parts of the city of London. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 37.]

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. Proclamation for the sitting of Parliament on the 19th of October next. [*Ibid. No.* 38.]

Sept. 26. Whitehall. Pass for Coenraet Roupell, Anthony Rogier and Pierre L'Orange to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 466.]

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. Warrant for a patent to Francis Smartfoot for (1) his "invention or sea crabb, for working in the sea, and fishing, and taking up, of ships guns and goods, lost and forsaken, to endure for 14 years," to apply to all seas within the King's dominions, except from the North Foreland to the westward by the Scilly Islands. And (2) for an invention "for a man's breathing under water in a pair of lungs fixed to his back as he swims." [*Ibid., p.* 468.]

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. Warrant to the Trinity House to appoint Custom House Officers to collect the duty laid upon all foreign built ships and vessels using the coal and other coast trade, to be employed for the relief of wounded and decayed seamen, their widows and children. [*Ibid., p.* 137.]

Sept. 26. Hampton Court. Warrant to seize the *North Star*, of Dunkirk, in the same terms as that of Sept. 12. [*Ibid., p* 139.]

Sept. 27. Abberston. The Duke of Bolton to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. Though very ill of the fall I got in the forest, upon receipt of your lordship's letter I sent for two justices of the peace, whom I can confide in, and have ordered them with all speed to seize his (*sic*) horses and arms and search his (*sic*) house for priests. *Postscript.*—I have enclosed sent you a copy of the answer I had from the justices and my approbation of it. When I was at Winchester on the 18th inst. at the meeting of the deputy-lieutenants I depended upon entertaining them at the deanery, but the prebends refused me, and I am told since by some clergy of the diocese, that they said at a visitation it was because I complained at the House of Lords that they did not

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pray for King William and Queen Mary in the cathedral. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 25.] *Enclosing—*

Copy of letter from Richard Cobbe and H. Dawley to the Duke of Bolton, stating that Mr. Wells, with most of his men-servants, had gone to Weyhill Fair, and that to make search when most of the horses are gone would be to no purpose. [*Ibid., No.* 25(i).]

Sept. 27. The Camp at Limbourg(?) The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Since my last, the Marquis de Gastanaga, and Count de Flodrop, have joined me with their forces. The marquis wishes to have all the English infantry at Ghent and Bruges. At Monts he asks for three of the States' regiments. Asks to be instructed as to the King's wishes with regard to the troops. Complains of want of money and provisions. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 142.]

Sept. 27. Hampton Court. The King to Sir James Ogilvy, Sir William Hamilton, and David Spence. In our declaration for Scotland, we had particular consideration of the encroachments made upon the royal boroughs; the grievances in relation to them are general and there is nothing particularly mentioned that so directly concerns them as the 27 Act, 3 Session, 1st Parliament King Charles II., concerning the power of disposal of foreign trade. We gave instructions to our Commissioner not only to rectify that Act, but likewise to ratify the privileges of the royal boroughs and to secure their rights in the choosing their own magistrates, that they might not be invaded for the future, and in general to make laws for the encouragement of trade, so there was no reason why the royal boroughs should doubt that anything should be wanting upon our part to give contentment.

We take well the offer of the royal boroughs to serve us, and we expect them to make it good, and not be imposed upon to mistake their own interest; they may be assured we will not fail to redress whatever is justly grievous to the nation and particularly to the royal boroughs. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 184.]

Sept. 27. Hamburg, Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre, giving an account of Sir W. D. Colt's reception by the magistrates of Hamburg. The Landgrave of Hesse is ill at Frankfort. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 62.]

Sept. 27. Hampton Court. Appointment of Edward Smith as lieutenant-governor of Deal whereof Sir John Berry is governor. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 61.]

Sept. 27. Whitehall. Pass for John Bruce, Catherine his wife, and 3 children, to go from Harwich to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 467.]

Sept. 28. Abberston. The Duke of Bolton to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] I received your lordship's by Capt. Nelthorpe and am extremely sorry I cannot comply with what you command me in preferring Col. Foulkes to one of my two regiments, for I have engaged my honour to those gentlemen who now command them, that they should be commanded by none other but myself or my son William. I am ready to quit my interest, but they, having for some time received pay as colonels, would lay down their commissions with the rest of the officers, if I should do so. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 26.]

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Sept. 28. Westminster. Dr. Simon Patrick to the Earl of Shrewsbury. In accordance with instructions from my lord of Bedford I attempted to wait upon your lordship but found you had gone to Hampton Court. The letter concerns the nomination of a successor to me in Covent Garden, in which his Majesty is pleased to gratify my lord of Bedford, to whom I have recommended Mr. Williams. Some others have recommended Dr. Freeman, who is a very worthy person also, but in my judgment not comparable to the other. *Seal broken.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 27.]

Sept. 28. Dundalk. William Harboard to the King. At my arrival in these part I was seized by the gout, which kept me at Belfast and Lisburn above a week before I could join the army which I found here; and since there depends so much of your Majesty's glory and future happiness and the peace and welfare of not only all Europe, but particularly of your Majesty's kingdom, I humbly assure you that I neither have nor will be wanting to do all I can that success and victory may attend your arms. And since I find such variety of opinion here as to what is best to be done, and that men who are sent hither to obey are so apt to find fault and think themselves wiser than their neighbours, I will here state to your Majesty the posture we are in, as to the place, the condition of your army both for men and horse, what straits we labour under amongst ourselves, and the needs we are in in relation to the attack of the enemy, and the marching from hence towards Dublin, and then your Majesty may take such measures, as to your wisdom shall seem best.

First, as to the place, though a very ill and a dirty one, yet—considering the many advantages we receive from the harbour, where all ships under 100 tons can come to us, that a great part of our officers lie dry and warm, that most of our best horses are sheltered from the cold, and that it obliges the enemy to keep their tents to attend us—it is very convenient, and whensoever we abandon it, we abandon our fleet and all our sick men not able to go with us.

Next, as to the army; we have some good officers, but abundance of very ill ones, who take no manner of care of their men, whether well or sick. The common men are the bravest and best creatures in the world, obedient and ready to hazard their lives cheerfully, and, those that are able, desirous of it above all things; but they are ill-clothed, and many of them have no shoes to their feet. We hope that there are come over the 4,000 which I bespoke at Northampton, but I have not been able as yet to have any talk with Mr. Shales, and I hope those made at Milford, by Mr. Fielding, this summer, are come also on board some of the ships. The General himself is in good health and very careful to do his part, and his son is very active and beloved by all. I do all I can to ease him of the burden of all civil affairs and am with him every night, two or three hours for that purpose. As to our wants, the greatest are shoes, some warm coats for the men, forage and oats for our horses, carriages, and ovens to bake our meal into bread and some care to be taken of our sick men. As for the shoes, I have told your Majesty how that matter stands, and besides I have sent to Sir Joshua to get 2,000 pair more made at Chester. Coats cannot be had here but would be of great use to the men's health. Our forage is almost gone; and

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the enemy have burnt a good deal in sight of us. There are few oats on board the fleet, and we send away a ship to Milford Haven to-morrow to get some; but that is nothing towards the relief of the army.

Now, as to the last and most considerable part of all, which is the attacking the enemy, or marching towards Dublin. It is a very delicate point and such as I ought not to meddle in; however, since it is of absolute necessity your Majesty should have an account of it from many hands, I will tell you my private observation and thoughts. The situation of this place, and the country about it, is such that the enemy cannot come at us but with great disadvantage; neither can we come at them but upon the same terms, unless we march to the right hand, and if so, we must abandon this place and leave our sick men here and at Carlingford at their mercy, and all relief from our fleet. Now this latter part is impracticable till our waggons, come up which Mr. Shales says shall be here in ten days and in the meantime the ovens are making, to get a good quantity of bread beforehand, at least ten days, in the waggons and four days on their backs. The good news we had yesterday of the defeat a few men of Enniskillen gave them at Boyle with the loss of six men, much encourages our men who, on my soul, will beat them to dirt in half-an-hour.

Having thus stated the inconveniences this way, I will lay before your Majesty the danger the other way. First our army is sickly, and the officers take no manner of care of the sick men, and as little in the hospital, and if [sickness] should increase yet, as I hear it may, it might be of fatal consequence.

The enemy visibly grows bold upon our seeming to be more prudent than the protestants of Derry and Enniskillen usually are, which may be of great advantage to them in time; our men grow weakly at it, have abundance of fancies in their heads, especially since the late discovery of the French. Our horses do, and will, decay daily more in their strength and spirits, and our fleet here lies exposed to two or three small frigates and fireships. In regard the two ships of war are at Carlingford and cannot come up to us for want of water, and if during the delay any strangers from France should creep in amongst them, it might alter the state of affairs. I have talked this over and over with his Grace and laid before him also the successes of the Derry and Enniskillen men. "I confess his parts are much quicker than ever I found them, but I suppose it proceeds because he is so much master of the trade,"—and indeed so is his son who is very useful to your Majesty—and I find he hopes that the Irish will be obliged to give him a better opportunity than this and that their part of the money and provisions will break them or at least a great part, and is fearful of exposing the many and great consequences which will depend upon the gaining or losing of a battle, besides his own fame. This is the true state of the affair.

And now I shall lay before your Majesty the false steps that have been made. The first, the waggons and horses ought to have come over with the Duke. The second, the provision ships, or at least a great part of them, ought not to have been sent back and they

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ought not to have been left at Carrickfergus but ordered forward to Carlingford and so to the Skerries as they have been since; for had the Duke found bread here, which the army wanted for four whole days, in the consternation the Irish were in, he might have marched straight to Dublin, which I hear will be now a more difficult task.

The fleet has been mustered, and this night the rolls will be closed and to-morrow they shall be all paid off for July and August, and subsisted for this month, and then I have but one month more. In the meantime I have paid 15,000*l.* for extraordinaries, which I entreat (?) your Majesty to send me; as also money to subsist them. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 143.]

Sept. 28. Edinburgh. M. Feilding to James Vernon, secretary to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I rejoice for the good I hope has happened to you by the removal of one I never liked since Chidley beat him. I know not whether it was death, or good eyes, that was the occasion of this, but I shall always be equally glad whether advantage come to you from the east or west. I am brimful of expectation of some Danish troops—6,500 foot and 1,450 horse, which I am to provide for, through the good country, and embark with them for Ireland, to my great satisfaction; but no news of them yet, though they should have been here before this time. Yesterday Major General Mackay went hence to Perth in order to send up some garrisons to the Highlands, that the Lowlands may be the more secure. He will return upon my first notice of the Danes. Last night came an account from Ireland that, on Sunday our General being upon the Lurgan, 3,000 horse from the enemy came to view and observe his situation, against whom he sent the Enniskillens, and some of his own troops. They stood a charge wherein eight were killed and 10 taken; then moved away, burnt the huts they had built up the night before, and retired to their army by Drogheda. Four of our men-of-war took two French in the Bay of Carlingford coming with provisions and ammunition. [*H.O. Scotland* 1, *No.* 3.]

Sept. 28. Whitehall. Order for the Sieur Bussy, Riccardi Verger, Chretien, Ottoni and Morelli, Frenchmen; to quit the kingdom within 10 days. [*S.P. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 470.]

Sept. 28. Certificate that John Andrew Eckhart, esq., the King's resident in Flanders, took leave of his Majesty on the 26th inst. [*Ibid.*]

Sept. 29. Abberston. The Duke of Bolton to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I always studied to comply with his Majesty's inclinations and to discharge in a small measure part of the great obligations I have to your lordship, and shall always be ready to show my kindness to my nephew, Sir John Guise, but I beg his Majesty will not let me suffer in honour in not performing my word to the two Colonel Nortons, father and son, and also that I may keep the northern regiment in my name intending it for one of my sons. [*S P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 28.]

Sept. 29. Abberston. The same to James Vernon. The justices of the peace will do all they can in seizing the papists' horses and arms, when they return from the fair. What are they to do with the horses and arms when seized? *Seal.* [*Ibid., No.* 29.]

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Sept. 29. Wressal. Robert Prickett to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Upon Wednesday last Mr. John Davidson brought me, as a justice of the peace, the printed papers enclosed; and seeing them to be seditious and of dangerous consequence, I examined him on oath, who deposed they were brought to him by the common post. *Seal broken.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 30.] *Enclosing—*

Two printed tracts entitled "England's crisis or the world well mended," and "A letter to the brave apprentices, journeymen, and honest porters, labourers and others." [*Ibid., No.* 30(i).]

Sept. 29. Woburn. The Earl of Bedford to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I am come to the resolution to present to his Majesty, Doctor Freeman and Mr. Williams for the living of Covent Garden. [*Ibid., No.* 31.]

Sept. 29. Bois de Seigneur Isaac. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Recommends Mons. Hop (?) who is about to start for England. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 144.]

Sept. 30. Thomas Ashe to Sir Oliver St. George "at his house in Berkeley Street, near Berkeley House. I suppose you heard of an overture that was made to exchange some English for Irish prisoners and among them the late Receiver-General Price for one Nugent whose friends have been so solicitous for his enlargement, that they have obtained King James' permit for Price's man to come over and negotiate the business here. He sailed from Dublin this day at seven at night, landed at Holyhead, and arrived here yesterday. The condition of the protestants there and elsewhere under the Irish yoke is very lamentable, they being generally throughout the kingdom, imprisoned, and particularly in all parts of the country as far as Carlow.

The plague is not yet so epidemic in Dublin, though many houses are shut up and several chief citizens confined, among them the bishops of Meath and Limerick. The papists do not hesitate to say that if their army is defeated they will burn the city. They have been under fearful apprehension of some of our army landing here, and but five of our frigates sailing near the coast so alarmed them that the whole catholic strength thereof, which was not 3,000 men—and they ragged and ill armed—came in great confusion and disorder. to oppose their expected landing, since which, their governor, Simon Luttrell, has chained up the streets and made breastworks at the entrance into each, to secure that naked place. The small remnant of scholars are turned out of the college, which is made a garrison, and Lord Longford's house a prison.

The same author, being at Drogheda to get his pass, says they have fortified the mount and raised works of earth both within and without the walls. He adds that though the number of horses in the Irish camp is said to be 8,000, there not above 4,000 of them fit for service. He speaks with some assurance of their great want of ammunition, and believes that they have not three shots a man.

They have a few small pieces of ordnance in Dublin, and considering the great number of protestants there, and the general terror that has seized the Irish, he concludes that a thousand resolute men, with arms for the rest, might, with ease, become masters of that

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city. This seems to be of so great importance that I am confident it would not be slighted if his Majesty were duly informed of it. The Irish cannot possibly be reinforced, considering that the main strength of the nation is now at Ardee, and most of the garrisons drained to patch up that army. I need not tell you how great concernment the lives of so many thousand protestants (now in captivity there) ought to be, and we may justly dread if that city be burnt they will, by a barbarous massacre, secure them from joining with us. Whilst the relater was at Holyhead, one of our packet boats touched there, by which a relation of the posture and procee lings in Dublin was transmitted to the Duke of Schomberg. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 32.]

Sept. 30. Bristol. Owen Banahan to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I am here detained this six months past without the least manner of subsistence and nothing appeared against me more than that I was quarter-master under the late King. I beg you to consider my starving condition and order me the usual allowance to prisoners or the liberty of the city. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 33.]

Sept. 30. London. Don Francisco de Casires to James Vernon. According to our discourse the last time I met you. I seud you here an extract of the business we were handling that you may send me an answer whether the King has any notice of the Jewish merchants being arrested for entering goods at the Customs House as free denizens, whether their patents are in force and whether the King will allow them to pass or be taken anew? The French merchants I spoke to you about are in custody and tell me they have sent a petition to the King. There is a particular friend of mine, Mr. Godiah, who is naturalized and a freeman of London, I pray you to use your endeavours for his enlargement. *Seal.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 34.]

Sept, 30. Dorchester in Dorset. Robert Howson, minister of All Saints in Dorchester, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Our little government of this borough is composed of very ill members, who have been very backward in all public demonstration of joy either for his Majesty's glorious accession on his success against his enemies. One Mr. Edward Lister, governor for the year past, did declare with great vehemency that the King as he is called (to use his own words) had broken faith with the nation in not disbanding his army and had not fulfilled his declaration and that "the pretences were like those of '41 and '42," adding "how is the murder of Charles II. and the Earl of Essex proved? How is the Prince of Wales proved an impostor?" And all this before the constables of the town, and on its being offered to be sworn to before one Mr. George Leicester, a justice of the peace for the borough, the said Mr. Leicester told the gentleman that offered that he was an impertinent fellow and ought to be bound to his good behaviour. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 35.]

Sept. 30. London. Dr. John Tillotson to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] The Earl of Nottingham told me this morning he would write to your lordship about the affair of King's College, in which I have more than once pressed the King, for if an end be not put to it, it is likely to involve his Majesty in greater inconvenience than anything that has

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happened since the beginning of his reign, especially considering the near approach of Parliament. The King was yesterday so wholly taken up with the nobility of Scotland, that though I waited many hours, I could not get an opportunity to put him in mind to inquire of Sir Henry Hobart who is at Newmarket, concerning his neighbour in Norfolk, Mr. Tennant, whether he be a sober man and in his wits, for unless he be mad the project, concerning which I showed his Majesty a letter from him, must have something real in it, and it will be easy for him to come to Newmarket and acquaint his Majesty more fully with it. It is of that nature that if it be true, it ought to be a secret, and so fantastic that if there be nothing in it, it is not fit to be spoken of. His Majesty will I understand give a visit to the University of Cambridge and confer degrees on several persons. I recommend to his grace the Duke of Somerset, the Chancellor, Mr. Richard Kidder, dean of Peterborough, Mr. John Williams, an eminent divine in this city, for the degree of Doctor in Divinity; and likewise Mons. Tacher a young French divine, driven out of France by the late persecutions, for the degree of Master of Arts; he is honest and learned and for want of better support is at present in my family. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 36.]

Sept. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] I have sent your lordship a commission of appeals prepared by Mr. Attorney with a list of [such] privy councillors as my Lord Privy Seal thinks most likely to attend it. If his Majesty approves the draft and signs it it will be best to send back the names of such others as you think fit, that they may be inserted in the same hand. I gave the King this morning a paper which I received from Dr. Tillotson. It contains the substance of what Dr. Craddock proposes to be said to the King when he goes to King's College, as probably he will, when he is at Cambridge. There cannot be a better opportunity than, in the face of the University, to do this act of grace to that college, if ever his Majesty will be persuaded to it, as I hope he will; for if he does not upon this occasion, I do not see how he can afterwards decently recede or go on with any prospect of success; and if his Majesty accepts this submission from them, if it does not secure his nomination for the future, yet at least it prevents a formal determination against him in Westminster Hall.

In regard to Mr. Hartcliffe there need be no scruple, because I conclude, both by what he said to me and to the Dean of Canterbury, he is very well contented to wait for some other mark of his Majesty's favour. I trouble your lordship with all this that you may take some opportunity of speaking of this matter to the King (lest he forget to mention it to you, as he said he would) before he goes to Cambridge. The Dean of Canterbury desires your lordship to speak to the King to recommend to the University, upon his going thither, Mr. Richard Kidder and Mr. John Williams, to be Doctors of Divinity, and Mons. Tacher, a French protestant, who lives with the dean, to be Master of Arts. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 37.]

Sept. 30. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Bagshaw, stating that he was seaman on board the ship *Bonaventure*, Captain Hobson,

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commander, and that he was shot in his right arm on the 28th April last in forcing his way into Londonderry. Prays to be almsman of Lincoln Cathedral on the first vacancy. Referred to the Clerk of the Signet to prepare a bill in the usual form. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.*53.]

Sept. 30. Hampton Court. Pardon for Charles Dering, esq., convicted of the manslaughter of Henry Goring, esq. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 140.]

Sept. 30. Whitehall. Passes for Francois Signard de St. Marc, esq., and Mr. Claudius Du Croziet, to go from Dover to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 467]; and for Ralph Wharton to go to Exeter and to return. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 470.]

[Sept.] Short memoranda, possibly in the King's handwriting, concerning the commissariat and artillery of the army on the continent. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 45.]

Sept. —. Whitehall. Passes for the following persons belonging to Thomas Cox, Envoy to the Swiss Cantons, to go to Holland. Nathaniel Cox, his brother, Elias Bouhereau, his secretary, Solomon Delaleu, Pierre Guichard, Gaschot d'Artiquer, and Daniel Guenard [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 452]; and for a maid and child of Mr. Smith to go from Dover to France. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 466.]

Oct. $\frac{1}{11}$. The Camp at Cambron. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. As to winter quarters for the army. Movements of Marshal D' Humières. Your Majesty will be better informed of the writer's conduct by Marlborough. Progress of the campaign. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 1.]

Oct. 1. Zell. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Continental news; movements of the troops, death of the Duke of Saxe Lawenburg, &c. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 66.]

Oct. 1. Pass to Captain Theobald Bourk with Mr. Oliver Cantwell to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 470.]

Oct. 2. Enghien. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. The taking of Mayence; hopes that the capture of Bonn will follow. Movements of the troops. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 2.]

Oct. 2. Proposals made [in the camp at Dundalk] for the future disposition of the troops and conduct of the campaign in Ireland, with remarks thereon by the Count de Solms. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 3.]

Oct. 2. Duplicate of the above without the remarks of the Count de Solms. [*Ibid.* 4.]

Oct. 2. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Cyrus Rivers to go to Chester and embark for Ireland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 470]; for Mrs. Engel, with 7 children, Mrs. Wlinyn (?) and 1 child, Mrs. Pertela with 4 children, Mrs. Folek with 2 children, Dutch people, to go from the Thames to Holland; for Mr. Thomas Morris to go from London to Newmarket; and for Matthew Crome to go from London to Chester and to Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 471.]

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Oct. 2. Whitehall. Pass for Daniel Knopff, of the city of Berne, in Switzerland, to embark at Harwich for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 140.]

Oct. 3. The Camp at Enghien. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Proposals made by the Marquis de Gastanaga. Movements of the forces under Marshal D'Humières. Is obliged to send away three more English regiments. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 5.]

Oct. 3. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Acknowledges the receipt of a letter from the King, of 27th September, written on receipt of his sent by Scravenmoer. Shales arrived four days ago from Carlingford, but I have only seen him once and cannot learn from him the condition of affairs with regard to provisions and their carriage. I asked why he did not dispatch the rest of the horses and carriages for the artillery, and he replied that he had not had "se charger de celà." I do not know what opinion to form of this man, nor can I believe his intentions to be sincere. Shortness of provisions. I am of your Majesty's opinion that the enemy will not attack us here. but it will not be less difficult to attack them in their present position, Describes this position. We could not before march towards the enemy as we had no means of carrying provisions and the roads are bad. There are about 1,000 sick amongst our men. Believes that sickness also exists amongst the enemy's troops, who are all paid with copper money, whilst your Majesty's are well paid. Hopes for troops from Scotland and Denmark. Mr. Harboard will send you account of the state of the army, by which it will appear more numerous than it is, the colonels being very capable in making up musters. We have, as yet, suffered scarcely any loss of horses in the cavalry except in the case of Villiers' regiment by shipwreck. Arrangements for supplying this loss. Harboard fears that the money destined for Ireland will not suffice.

Although the Enniskillen troops do not appear, on account of their clothes, they have displayed considerable vigour and defeated the enemy at Boyle and Jamestown. They are discontented with the arrangement made for their pay. Mr. Bellasis is appointed to the Norfolk regiment; the lieutenant-colonel, a young man of the same name, complains of this. I told Lord Meath of your Majesty's order for me to give the regiments to the best men. After considering your letter, I went to see Count de Solms, whom I found to be unwell; we considered our position here, and have called upon Mr. Douglas, Count Schomberg, Harboard and Kirke to give their advice. Remarks on recruiting. *October* 4. Communication with Shales and arrival of carriages, &c., for the artillery. Seeing Delamere's regiment in such bad order, I have given its command to Colonel Russell. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*Ibid., No.* 6.]

Oct. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Loftingh and Nicolas de Wael, stating that they have, with much cost and labour, invented "an engine for quenching of fire, the like never seen before in this kingdom, which will greatly benefit the nation," spouting water at 300 or 400 feet high. Pray for a patent for the sole making and selling the said engine. Referred to the attorney or solicitor general. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 53.]

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Oct. 4. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Has consulted with some officers of the Enniskillen troops, and finds that they may steal a march on the enemy by executing a movement towards Armagh, and from thence gaining the head of the river Shannon, from the Jamestown side, where the party that beat the enemy at Boyle yet remains. Observations on the means of obtaining forage and cattle in those ports which are held to be of much importance by the enemy. Asks for the King's instructions. Has sent Trelawny to Chester to hasten the supply of shoes and horses for the artillery. Intends to embark the sick at Carlingford for Belfast. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 7.]

Oct. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. I have herewith sent you the copy of a letter from Captain Rooke, in which you will see the condition of the Irish squadron. If you have not a fuller account of it from himself, then you are to give such order, and take such care as you shall judge necessary for his Majesty's service, which may be the more requisite at this time if six French ships are gone up the Irish Channel, as the enclosed extract of a letter from Milford states. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 45.]

Oct. 4. Whitehall. The same to the Duke of Schomberg. The King having been moved on behalf of Major James Kirk, that he may be restored to his command, he having already given security that he will stand his trial on his return to England, is pleased that I should write to you to admit him to take his post and discharge his duty as formerly. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 180.]

Oct. 4. Zell. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. To-morrow I intend for Hanover to watch the Landgrave's first motion to Cassel. The Court is in the country hunting and will continue so at least this six weeks, if the frost drives them not home. Movements of troops on the continent. I will inform myself of the several princes' pretensions. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 70.]

Oct. 5. Treasury Chambers. William Jephson to Sir Robert Howard, auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer. The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury desire you, out of such monies as are or shall be in the Exchequer, not appropriated to particular uses, to issue certain sums for *inter alia* the sick and wounded, the subsistence of various regiments, secret service, works for repairing "the Pall Mall," works at Kensington and Hampton Court, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 38.]

Oct. 5. The Camp at Silley (?). The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of the campaign. Refers to his retirement. Will send by Marlborough what needs correction. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 8.]

Oct. 5. Newmarket. The King to the Lords of the Privy Council of Scotland. Authorising them to issue a proclamation for the sitting of the session on the 1st November next. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 186.]

Oct. 5. Newmarket. Lord Melville to the Rev. Gilbert Rule and the rest of the Presbyterian Ministers of Edinburgh. I received the letter you sent me with your reverend brethren, whom I introduced to his

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Majesty to present your desires to him. They will give you a particular account of what passed and of the satisfaction they had in their reception from their Majesties.

I am commanded to let you know that the King is very well pleased with that zeal and duty which you have expressed in your address, and with the deportment and affection of those ministers that brought it. Amongst the first instructions, his Majesty did impower the Commissioner to settle the Church Government, without any limitations or restrictions, but left it entirely to the inclinations of the people, and his Majesty was so concerned that Scotland might be fully satisfied in this point, that he did once and again, reiterate his instructions that the government of that Church might be settled by Act of Parliament. And though that opportunity has been neglected, yet, his Majesty assures you he will not be diverted from perfecting his intentions whereby both the nation and you may have contentment. His Majesty does expect that you will use your utmost endeavours to compose and quiet the minds of his people in the assurance of his pious and fatherly care of all their concerns. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 187.]

Oct. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Attorney-General. The King having appointed the persons mentioned in the enclosed paper to be Commissioners for receiving, hearing, and determining appeals, in the causes of prizes, commands me to transmit the same to you, together with the bill, signed by him, that you may direct the insertion of the names of the said persons. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 55.]

Oct. 5. Whitehall. The same to Dr. Georges. I have received yours from Dundalk, and should be glad to have as frequent account of affairs in Ireland as you have leisure to give me. The King is at Newmarket, so I have not had the opportunity of recommending your suit to him for his approbation of your being secretary to the Duke of Schomberg, but I have, in the meantime, written to Lord Shrewsbury about it which was all the service I could at present do you. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 5. Newmarket. Warrant for a further respite of John Horman, lying in Newgate, convicted of killing a child. Memorandum that this reprieve was delivered to Mons. Oostrum minister of the Dutch Church in London. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 471.]

Oct. 5. Newmarket. Passes for James de Cardonell to go from London to Chester or Hoylake [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 471]; for a Swedish ship, the *St. Michael*, to go from England to France and to take in salt, &c. for Sweden; and for another Swedish ship the *White Pigeon*, Ander Burgeson, master, to go to Nantes or St. Martin's to load salt. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 141.]

Oct. 6. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. I learnt, yesterday, that there had been a movement in the enemy's camp as if they intended to march on the following day; I thereupon advanced with some 300 horse or dragoons towards their vedettes, but found their camp in the same condition; there was a slight skirmish with the enemy,

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in returning, which, I learn to-day, was viewed by King James who "avancé sur une hauteur" for that purpose.

The party that we had abroad last night reported to us that the enemy had marched; whereupon Count Schomberg advanced with the guard of a hundred horse to their camp, where he learnt from the sick that had been left behind, and from a sergeant who had been asleep, that the order was given, very late yesterday, to march at the break of day. The Count found but very little forage in the camp, and from what could be learnt, there was not any to be got this side of Atherdee and that the country had been practically foraged as far as Drogheda.

I gave you, in my letter of the 4th inst. the reasons which made me think of marching to the Shannon. Your Majesty is of opinion that we should push the enemy, before our forces perish from disease or the enemy gets aid from France, but we cannot march without shoes, and we must wait further. We have other difficulties. Upbraids Shales for his conduct as to supplies.

Colonel Villiers has sent an officer of his regiment to England who had been equerry to the Duke of Monmouth. Hopes that the King's fleet will make some diversion on the coast of Dublin or towards Kinsale to hinder assistance coming [to the enemy] from France. This evening I received a letter from Colonel Lloyd from Sligo ["Selego"] and observe that we ought to do something on the Shannon towards Jamestown, and I am resolved to send there to-morrow evening, Colonel Russell, who knows that country well, with 200 of the Enniskillen dragoons and 200 mounted grenadiers to advance as far as Athlone, and at the same time to see if he can treat with Colonel Macdonnell, who commands Galway ["Galloway"] since Lloyd believes that he [Macdonnell] will treat with me on fairly easy terms for the surrender of that town; I do not, however, feel sure of it myself. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 9.]

Oct. 6. Newmarket. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Upon reading the enclosed petitions from the Spanish merchants, his Majesty directs them to be sent to you to give an account what ships may be appointed for their convoys and when they can be ready. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 164.]

Oct. 7. Opinion by Lord Massereene, Lord Kingston, Col. Phillips, Col. Crofton, Dr. Walker, Mr. Davys, and Mr. Rowley that at present it is neither safe nor practicable to send Col. Lundy to Ireland to be tried. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 17.]

Oct. 7. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. I send you, by direction from the King, an account of Sir John Morgan, governor of Chester, amounting to 150*l.* It is to be believed that he has expended the sum mentioned, and although some part of it appears unnecessary, yet it having been done with a good intention, and according to advice, I hope you will not be too scrupulous in examining it, or expect vouchers for every sum, which one not acquainted with the methods of the Exchequer has omitted to provide himself with. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 162.]

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Oct. 7. Whitehall. Passes for Rebekah Dorman with her three children, Rebekah, Isabella, and Ann to go from Dover to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 466]; pass to Mr. William Richardson to go from Chester to Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 472.]

Oct. 8. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. The enemy has sent 2,000 men commanded by Colonel Saxtil (?), towards Jamestown on the Shannon to oppose the small progress that Colonel Lloyd had made there. I have this morning sent thither Colonel Russell, and as I have found him somewhat irresolute and slow, I have given him Colonel Tyfne [Tiffin ?] who was a captain in Kirke's regiment. The force with them consists of 400 dragoons or mounted grenadiers.

When I read over your Majesty's last letters, I find you desire that the enemy should be punished: this is difficult on account of the fewness of roads and the condition of the country. Besides this, I am unwilling to risk your army against one which, as it is well known here, consists of at least double the number and is better nourished than ours. Moreover the colonels have thought more of getting cheap than serviceable men. I told you of this, but Lord Halifax's advice was followed rather than mine. Our officers are lazy; those of the cavalry take no care of their troopers' horses.

I am hourly in hope of the arrival of the horses for our artillery, provisions and the Scotch troops. Difficulties encountered thus far; want of waggons and provisions.

October 9. A small bark has arrived from Dublin, with four or five protestants on board; amongst them is one named Janston (*sic*), whom I have arrested as having contributed to the loss of Kilmore, and whose design was to escape into the Scotch mountains. Those who left Dublin with him say that there have been sent there 1,000 sick from the Irish Army, that there is no lack of provisions, and that two or three war ships have appeared in the river, but they have done nothing. But from what I can learn from them, if Lord Torrington made a descent with two or three regiments and his sailors, he could take up a position near Cork where he could make himself master of Kinsale, which is not fortified on the side of the mountains. Such a diversion would be a great relief to us and hinder assistance being sent from France. I learn that a vessel has reached Carlingford with 4,000 pairs of shoes and a third of three regiments which your Majesty has ordered to come from Scotland.

October 11. The remainder of the regiments above mentioned has arrived in the Carrickfergus river. Hastings' regiment does not consist of 200 men, and the two others are weak and worn out with the war in Scotland; I have sent orders that they should go near Charlemont, where there is more forage than there is here, and where I have sent most of the cavalry that were with Count Schomberg towards Armagh in order to recover the horses, and at the same time to besiege Charlemont. Difficulties in the way of attacking the enemy at Atherdee or Drogheda, on account of the nature of the country.

October 12. Acknowledges the King's letter of the 5th instant, which was brought by Lord Mountjoy's son, who is charged with sending an express to Macarty at Enniskillen to inform him of your consent that his father should be exchanged for him. Your letter shews that

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you are informed that we have more sick in our army than we have, and that you think we ought to push matters and hazard something. If you were well informed of our state, the enemy's and the condition of the country, you would think otherwise. If we fail your army would be lost; for once disordered, it could never be re-established as it consists mostly of newly raised troops. I see also by your letter that you fear the prolongation of the war. Failure on our side would immediately have made the enemy masters of Ireland. I do not understand why the English and Dutch fleet that has done nothing all the summer, cannot guard the Irish coast and make a diversion by a disembarkation as you always projected, and so give us time to wait for the Danish troops; these troops would be of little use, had we lost a battle before their arrival.

I can keep this position, with infantry alone, till Shales puts his waggons for provisions into better order, as also the artillery horses. I believe all will be ready in eight days, after which, if the enemy resolve to remain at Atherdee or Drogheda, you will judge that I can but march to the Shannon, the country which, next to Dublin, they value most. In regard to what your Majesty has asked me concerning great disorders committed by the soldiers, especially the French, these may have arisen in regard to the provision of horses, of which there was great need. Admits that the soldiers may have taken "de petits chevaux qu' ils trouvoient dans le champs," and comments on the pillage committed by the troops of Londonderry and Enniskillen.

If our Irish colonels were as capable in war as they are in committing pillage and not paying the soldiers here, your Majesty would be better served. The French cavalry do their duty better than the others. I have worked all this week to regulate the payment by the captains of their soldiers so that they should not cheat them. The colonels take so little care of their regiments that their arms are broken and I am forced to supply others. If the leave asked for by all the officers was granted, the greater part of the army would be without officers. Sickness is feigned by them; they are only tired of being here.

I suggested to Count de Solms sending most of cavalry towards Armagh, but he pointed out that, this done, the enemy might place themselves between it and us; the Count suggests waiting. All this would embarrass an abler man than I. The enemy are strong, and well disciplined, and their camps well chosen.

The magistrates from Londonderry have come to me here and state that there is need to establish officers of justice in their parts. Lord Charlemont, who will give you this, either asks for the command of the regiment vacant by the death of Weith (?), and of which "le cadet de ce mylord" is lieut-colonel; one or other would be very fit for the service. A gentleman named Kart (Carte?) has come here from the county Longford to propose raising two companies of cavalry and four of infantry. Fielding, who is lieut.-colonel of Kingston's regiment, continues to ask for that regiment. *Printed in part by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 10.]

Oct. 8. Hanover. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre as to the surrender of Bonn. [*H.O. Regencies Book* 1, *p.* 74.]

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Oct. 8. London. News letter. The news from France is that the French Cardinals are arrived at Civita Vecchia and that on the 19th ultimo, coaches went from Rome to fetch them thither. Several parties are making against the Cardinals Cibo, Chigy, Burburigo, and D'Esterre, on whom several pasquils have been made; some of them are charged with being Quixotists, others that they have relinquished the regalia, and that seems to be levelled against France so that it is hoped France will not be able to carry a Pope of her faction. A courier has arrived at the French Court with an account of the signing of a peace between the Algerians and them. Several of the poor Vaudois in their return have been made prisoners by the treachery of a French officer who commanded them; it is feared they will be sacrificed to the malice of the French and Duke of Savoy. The second troop of them have been refused passage and remain in the protestant cantons of Switzerland.

Letters from Bonn inform us of the storming and taking the outworks of that place on the 9th instant; the dispute was very sharp. The garrison made a brave defence but could not withstand the extraordinary gallantry of the confederates. The Governor offered to march out upon the same conditions granted to Mayence but was refused. The Elector of Brandenburg expects to have the place at discretion; if not, it is expected the next post will bring an account of its taking by assault. The Imperialists under the Prince of Baden have gained a fresh victory over 60,000 Turks, killing 6,000, taking all their baggage and cannon and also taking Nissa by assault. Letters from Edinburgh say that a proclamation was published for adjourning till the 20th of December; the city of Edinburgh has chosen Sir John Hall as lord provost for the ensuing year, he having served this present year. Major-General Mackay is in the North viewing the forces and garrisons, and giving necessary directions; he then designs to march with some forces to strengthen the garrisons in the Wemyss' (*sic.*) It is said that Lord Dunfermline is seized by the Highlanders, being afraid that he was inclined to accept the indemnity.

Yesterday we had a report that Dublin was taken by some forces sent by sea under Count Schomberg and that upon the Irish attempting to secure the place the Duke of Schomberg fell upon them, killed 600 in the place, and entirely defeated them. The letters that came from Chester yesterday say nothing about it, so that it wants confirmation. It is said that Sir Andrew Caldwall was sent express with the news on Saturday night to his Majesty at Newmarket. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 73, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 345.]

Oct. 8. Newmarket. Warrant for the payment to Alexander Stanhope, esq., envoy to Spain, of 500*l.* for his equipage and 5*l.* a day for expenses. [*S P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 475.]

Oct. 8. Newmarket. Warrant for the reprieve, for one month, of Paroculus Parmiter, convicted with Edward Lynch, at Bristol of felony. [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 478.

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Oct. 8. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend William Canny or Canninge, of the Middle Temple, stationer, for publishing seditious news about the King and Government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 142.]

Oct. 8. Whitehall. Pass for Sir William Stych, bart., Mr. Berry, Mr. John Sharples, and Mr. Shipman, with their servants, to go from London, through Herefordshire and Cheshire, to his house at Leighton, and to return. [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 472.]

Oct. 9. "Bodychen." Henry Sparrow, sheriff of Anglesey, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have caused diligent search to be made for all horses belonging to papists. There being no justices of the peace in this county, I could not answer what your letter required; however, I cannot find that there is more than one papist in the county and he has not a horse near the value of 5*l.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 39.]

Oct. 9. The Camp at Cambron. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Arrangements for winter quarters for the army on the continent. Progress of the campaign and observations on the movements of the enemy. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 11.]

Oct. 9. Newmarket. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 500*l.* to Sir James Dalrymple, of Stair, as constant President of College of Justice. *In the margin* "drawn by himself." [*S.P. Dom., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 188.]

Oct. 11. Hanover. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. The Swedes claim a part of the Duchy of Saxe Lawenberg that joins the Duchy of Bremen. Movements of the foreign princes. The Germans have taken more plunder in their last great victory than during the whole war. The Letters from France tell of an absolute defeat of Schomberg by King James. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 78.]

Oct. 11. Hampton Court. Warrant for grant to Thomas Tenison, D.D., of the archdeaconry of London, void by the promotion of Dr. Edward Stillingfleet to the bishopric of Worcester. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 36.]

Oct. 11. Pass for Mr. Hugh Gwynne to go to Chester or Liverpool and embark for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 476.]

Oct. 12. Treasury Chambers, William Jephson to Sir Robert Howard. The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury desire you, out of any money remaining in the receipt of the Exchequer not appropriated to particular uses, to issue certain sums, for, *inter alia*, Dutch troops, Mr. Matthew's bill, Mr. Eckhart, resident at Brussels, works at Hampton Court, secret service, &c. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 40.]

Oct. 12. Bristol. John Bubb and John Blackwell, sheriffs of Bristol, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. In obedience with your lordship's letters we have directed the mayor and justices of the peace to search for and seize the horses of papists and reputed papists and deliver them to us. *Seal of arms.* [*Ibid., No.* 41.]

Oct. 12. Olesko. Mons. de Teil to the King of France. General news letter, detailing events happening in Poland. *A duplicate letter.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 12.]

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Oct. 12. Cruysberg. Resident Ham to the Prince of Waldeck. Progress of proceedings as to the capitulation of Bonn and details of the number of killed and wounded. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 13.]

Oct. 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to William Crompton, esq., at Stone in Staffordshire. Acknowledges the receipt of a libel dispersed by some person unknown. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 163.]

Oct. 12. Brest. Captain St. Loe to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Not having, since my being here, received any answers to my letters to the Admiralty, makes me acquaint your lordship that we lie here without any knowledge of what methods are taken for our release. The winter will prove fatal to our poor men, they having scarcely clothes enough to cover their nakedness, which want will be particularly severe to the wounded and sick, which are not a few. [*H.O. Admiralty* 1, *No.* 6.]

Oct. 12. Whitehall. Commission for Stephen Sutton to be gunner of Dover Castle, in the room of John Tooth. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 64.]

Oct. 12. Passes for Patritio Menetone, his wife and four children, to go from Dover to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 472]; and for Mons. Grandcourt and his servant, Antoine Germin, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 476.]

Oct. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. The Lords of the Council, who are appointed a committee for prisoners, having had brought before them the case of the apothecaries, Smithson and Radcliffe, who are accused concerning the medicine prepared for the fleet, desire to know what is the evidence against them, that they may order their discharge or commit them to be prosecuted. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 163.]

Oct. 14. Hampton Court. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King, some months since, at the recommendation of the Bishop of London, granted the prebend occupied by Dr. Stratford (who is now Bishop of Chester) in Lincoln Cathedral, to Mr. Goslyn of the King's chapel; which grant, it seems, he cannot yet get to pass the Great Seal, notwithstanding all diligence he has used for effecting it. The King's directions having been first given to me in this matter, on which the warrant was prepared, I could not refuse moving your lordships on his behalf. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 164.]

Oct. 14. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. I pray you inform me when the ships, designed by the late project for the Mediterranean and West Indies, will be ready to sail to her respective stations, it being necessary for his Majesty's service, by whose command I write this, that I should know it by to-morrow night. I am also to acquaint you that his Majesty would have some yachts ready to sail with the men-of-war to Holland that are designed to conduct the Queen of Spain from thence. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 57.]

Oct. 14. Hampton Court. The King's approbation and royal assent for Alexander Hume, of Mauderstoun, to use the title and dignity of Earl of Dunbar, reciting Charles the Second's grant of the dignity to Sir Alexander Hume of 6th May 1651. [*S.P. Dom., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 189.]

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Oct. 14. Hampton Court. A commission for John Browne to be muster-master of the Cinque Ports. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 62.]

Oct. 14. Hampton Court. Warrant for the delivery of certain ordnance and stores from the garrisons of Portsmouth and Plymouth, to be put on board such ships as shall be appointed by Arthur, Earl of Torrington. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 63.]

Oct. 14. Whitehall. Passes for the Sieur Bussi and Joseph Teddyman and John Piccard, his servants, to go to France or Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 476]; for the Rabbi Isaac Cohen Sedek, to go beyond seas [*Ibid.*]; for Lord Ettrick, a child about two years old, son of the Earl Dumbarton, and his attendants, Jane Bell, Elizabeth Scott, Lewis Mackelvaine, and William Hardy, to embark at London or Dover, and to go to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 477]; and for Alexander Hume to go beyond seas. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 143.]

Oct. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for Sir Robert Atkins, knight of the Bath and Chief Baron of the Exchequer, to occupy the office of Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper in the Upper House of Parliament. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 42, *and S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 479.]

Oct. 15. Westminster. Warrant to the Bishop of London, the president and chapter of St. Paul's, to elect and admit Dr. John Tillotson as dean of the said church in the place of Dr. Edward Stillingfleet, promoted to the bishopric of Worcester. [*S.P. Dom., Signet Office Letter Book* 12, *p.* 335.]

Oct. 15. Hanover. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Movements of foreign princes. The fortification of Ratzeburg proceeds. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 82.]

Oct. 15. Hampton Court. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. We are informed that William Kennedy, son to Mr. Hugh Kennedy, minister of Edinburgh, was banished from Scotland in July 1677. The said William Kennedy having been long under banishment, and not having been convicted of the crime of which he was accused, but "voluntarily undertaking banishment," we have thought fit to give him licence to return. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 191.]

Oct. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a gift of the office of General of their Majesty's Mint in Scotland, to Henry, Lord Cardross. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 192.]

Oct. 15. Hampton Court. Warrant for a Commission to Lord Neil Campbell, to be governor of the castle of Dunbarton, and captain of the company of foot in garrison there. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 193.]

Oct. 15. Whitehall. Warrant for the payment to Alexander Stanhope, esq.—appointed envoy at the court of Spain, and formerly (on 6th June last) appointed envoy at Florence—of 500*l.* for his equipage and 5*l.* a day for his entertainment. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 479.]

Oct. 15. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend ——— Davies and to search for arms, in the house next to "the Anchor and Crown" in Brewer Street, next Golden Square. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 144.]

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Oct. 15. Pass to Mr. Hertaut to go from Harwich to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 476.]

Oct. 16. Dundalk. W[illiam] H[arboard] to the King. I returned yesterday from the County Down where I had been to see what provisions could be obtained for the relief of the army, and I have prevailed with the gentry and inhabitants of that county to agree to the delivery of 3,000 barrels of oats, Bristol measure, which make 20,000 bushels ordinary measure; the oats being green, and therefore hurtful to the horses, I have had many of them kiln dried, especially those that are to be sent by sea. My Lord General would have the country bring them to Greencastle, on the other side of Carlingford Bay, by land, but I fear the horses are too weak for such service. However, his grace has ordered me to do it, and I will do my best to see it done. The gentry and inhabitants of the county Antrim have agreed to deliver 7,000 bushels: these will be carried to Belfast by sea to be dried and laid ready at Carrickfergus for the Danish horse upon their first arrival, as also meal, that some bread may be prepared for them.

I have not only taken this care for the immediate supply of the army, but, on a second consideration also, namely that of your Majesty's revenue: for those two counties alone have received above 40,000*l.* of your Majesty's money and "centered" (?) upon the excise for ale, tea, brandy and tobacco above 8,000*l.*, and a good deal in other commodities; and, if I can preserve them from being overrun by the disorderly soldiers, they may come to sow and reap next year; for though they cannot have any winter corn, that will be of little loss to them, in regard their crops are generally barley and oats. The revenue of those two counties next year in customs, excise, chimney-money, and quit rents will yield above 40,000*l.* and I fear your Majesty's occasions will want all the help that can be given them from all hands; and, if the soldiers break in, the county will starve for want of corn to sow in the spring and you will be forced to relieve them out of your own purse.

The position of your affairs causes me much affliction. You will remember how near we are to the end of October and that I have disbursed much money, of which I have not only given you a particular account, and have laid it before the Lords of the Council and the Commissioners of the Treasury, but have also cleared the months of July and August and will subsist them all to the end of October. On the 22nd, the Enniskillen men will call for more money and will not be wanting to express their uneasiness that their pay is not equal to the rest of the troops, "so that I hope your sacred Majesty will pardon me if I, with all duty and humility, lay this matter before you."

There is another subject here which causes great disturbance; "many of the French officers who attended your Majesty out of Holland, and were always paid by Vander-Esch, are not put upon the two lists of horse and foot which your Majesty was pleased to sign, so that they are wholly at a losse; for, without your Majesty's order, under the sign manuel, and countersigned by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, I cannot pay them and their necessities are so pressing that I have, out of good nature, been

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prevailed upon to assist many of them till your Majesty's pleasure can be known; and yet I hear from England there are great complaints made against me that I do not pay the French, whereas there is not one penny owing to the French, Dutch, nor English troops here, nor shall be to the end of this month."

I desire to tell you what I will not write to the Committee, "which is that we are in a most unhappy condition; that Mr. Shales studies more to ruin the army than Tyrconell, that he has devoured all the oates bought in Wales by Mr. Fielding as the reserve, that, of a 100 carts for the provisions, and the 400 horses, he cannot give an account of half, that he has bought over 4,000 busshels of salt at 9*d. per* busshel and sells it here for almost four shillings, that—to be short—it is no fault of his if the army is not destroyed." I find the General will march for Connaught and not for Dublin. God, in His mercy, preserve us!

Postscript: "Nothing can save us and make us so easy as your Majesty's pressing the enemy in the nest." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 14.]

Oct. 16. Cambron. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Movements of the allied army on the continent; winter quarters, &c. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 15.]

Oct. 16. Whitehall. Warrant the keeper of the Gatehouse to produce James Dore, a prisoner, for examination. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 47.]

Oct. 16. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Hierom Spencer, gent, a cornet in Col. Villiers' regiment to go from Chester to Ireland [*S.P. Dom., Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 472]; for Balthazar Redan, native of Geneva, to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 477]; and for Col. Henry Lumley to go from London to West Chester. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Bristol. I have received your letter. As to that part of it, which gives the account of the Postmaster's behaviour, I have transmitted it to Major Wildman, who, being his superior officer, will no doubt, give directions that those employed under him behave in such manner as becomes them. As to the prisoners, I thought it would be taken for granted that the King's allowances were to be continued to them till orders were given to the contrary, and the last instructions sent are to be the rule in this case till other orders are given and the late mayor will not continue to make any difficulty of communicating them to you as they were sent to him only as mayor, to which office you have now succeeded; but, if it is necessary to again repeat the orders from here it shall be done. In the meantime, you will direct care to be taken for the maintenance of the poor prisoners according to what was last paid them; and since Mr. Banahan's necessities and confinement make his case like the rest, I desire the same care may be taken of him for the future in proportion to the employment he last had in the army. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 165.]

Oct. 17. Whitehall. Warrant for certain ordnance, arms, ammunition, etc., from the Tower of London, Portsmouth and Plymouth, to be delivered to the Earl of Torrington. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 65.]

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Oct. 17. Whitehall. Appointment of John Marriott, as Sub-commissioner of Prizes at Plymouth, in the place of Simon Mayne. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3 *p.* 23.]

Oct. 17. Pass for William Blissett to go from Chester to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 478.]

Oct. 18. Estimate of the wages due to the companies of their Majesty's ships and those hired into their service, from their first fitting out, until the 15th November next; made in pursuance of an order of the Commissioners of the Admiralty of the 16th instant. *Endorsed*—An estimate of the wages and freight due to the ships designed to be paid off. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 16.]

Oct. 18. Estimate of the money necessary for the payment of two months pay to seamen serving in the navy, commission and warrant officers excluded. [*Ibid.*, *No.*17.]

Oct. $\frac{18}{28}$. Hanover. Mons de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Is rejoiced at the news of the success of the Duke of Schomberg's forces. News from Cologne. News comes from Paris of a defeat of Schomberg by King James. Continental news; movements of foreign troops and princes. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 92.] *Enclosing*—

Letter from Pope Alexander to the Duke and Senate of Venice. 7th October, 1689. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 94.]

Oct. 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Anna Hone, widow, stating that her son, John Hone, is under sentence of death for robbery. Prays that as the goods stolen are restored, and as this is his first crime, he may receive pardon. Referred to the Recorder of the city of London. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 54.]

Oct. $\frac{18}{28}$–$\frac{19}{29}$. List of the infantry regiments with names of their officers, engaged on service in Ireland and reviewed in the camp at Dundalk, with remarks on the officers and men, in the handwriting of Count de Solms. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 18.]

Oct. 19. Holland House. Warrant for a commission to Robert Elphinston, to be steward and justiciar of Orkney and Shetland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 194.]

Oct. 19. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of the office of writing and keeping of the minute book of the Lords of Session, to Daniel Macpherson. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 196.]

Oct. 19. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of office of one of their Majesties chaplains in ordinary, within their kingdom of Scotland to Mr. David Blair. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 197.]

Oct. 19. Holland House. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of counter-warden of the Mint in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 198.]

Oct. 19. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of the office of clerk and book-keeper of the Mint in Scotland to James Christie. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 199.]

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Oct. 19. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of the office of master smith, in their Majesties' Mint in Scotland to John Michell. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book, p.* 200.]

Oct. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to search Henry Paine *alias* Nevill, and William Paine, a prisoner in the Fleet, for seditious papers. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 481.]

Oct. 19. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. James Wallis employed in his Majesty's service, to go from London to Chester, and to return; for Mr. John Jordan to go from Harwich to Holland; for Renould Bouiller, a French minister, to go from any port of this kingdom to Holland; for the Sieur de Vignolle, and the Sieur de Forest, with their servants, La Jeunesse, Gaspar and La Vienne to go from London or Dover to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 481]; for John Masson and John Monet, a French minister, to go to Harwich and there embark for Holland [*Ibid.*]; for Jean Baptist and Jean Bressart to go from any part of the kingdom to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 482]; for the Marquis de la Forrest, envoy-extraordinary from the King of Denmark, to go from London to Berwick and thence to Edinburgh and return; for the same to go to Edinburgh; and for John Trouille and Peter Trouille, his son, French protestants, to go from London to Chester, or any other port, and embark for Ireland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 145.]

Oct. 20. Cambron. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Changes in the command of regiments of the allied forces. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 19.]

Oct. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. The King thinks that Mr. Stanhope, appointed envoy-extraordinary to Spain, should go thither with the fleet that carries the Queen. You are to order one of the frigates to receive him on board with his goods and family. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 166.]

Oct. 21. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Gravesend. Mr. Garret Barry, who has been, for long, in prison at Gravesend, being seized in the company of papists who were leaving the kingdom, is a protestant, of which he has given proof by taking the oath and subscribing the Declaration; there is therefore no cause for his detention and he may be discharged. [*Ibid., p.* 166.]

Oct. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to William Harboard. The bearers, Captain George Theaker, and Mr. William Warner, are the persons who, as you know, went into Scotland, where they did the King very good service, of which the Duke of Hamilton has told the King: they, being desirous to go over into Ireland, and serve there in the army, his Majesty has commanded me to recommend them to you, to give them your assistance, as you shall see occasion. His Majesty would have you likewise obtain for them such an employment in the army, in recompense of their good service, as the Duke of Schomberg and yourself shall judge them fit and qualified for. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 56.]

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Oct. 21. Holland House. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Whereas we are informed that there are several sums of money in the hands of Sir Hugh Paterson, of Bannockburn, as the dues and profits of the Signet, for which he has made no account, we require you to cause the said Sir Hugh Paterson to make "compt" and payment to Lord Melville, our Secretary, or any having warrant from him, of all the dues and profits arising from the Signet from the first of December last. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 201.]

Oct. 21. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the restitution of temporalities of the bishopric of Chichester to Dr. Simon Patrick from the death of Dr. Lake. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 234.]

Oct. 21. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant of the restitution of the temporalities of the bishopric of Worcester to Dr. Edward Stillingfleet, from the death of Dr. William Thomas. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 234.]

Oct. 21. Whitehall. Allowance of the extra expenses of William Duncombe, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Sweden, except for a quarter's salary to the king's chaplain. The account of fees paid to the Exchequer is referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 146.]

Oct. 21. Whitehall. Passes for Mr. John Smith's child, three maids and a nurse to go from Dover to France [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 478]; for Matthew Belew, esq., to go from London, or Barnet, into Yorkshire; and for Captain Meredith Gwillim to go to Chester and embark for Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 482.]

Oct. 22. Anonymous letter relative to operations of the forces on the continent; movements of troops and stores. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 20.]

Oct. 22. / Nov. 1. The Elector Frederick of Brandenburg to the King. Complimentary letter, borne by Robert Lord Lexington "Baro de Averam" on returning from an embassy to this elector's court. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 21.]

Oct. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Schomberg. Mr. Chidley Coote, brother to Lord Coote, now serving in the army under your command, having given proof of courage and diligence. I desire you to promote him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 166.]

Oct. 22. Whitehall. The same to Lieut.-Colonel Norton. I have submitted to the King your letter concerning some soldiers to be transported from Milford Haven to Ireland; there is no opportunity for this at present. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 167.]

Oct. 22. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Beaumont, governor of Dover. It being of importance to his Majesty's service that effectual care be taken for preventing any person whatever from transporting himself out of the kingdom, till information be given, and his Majesty's pleasure known, you are to make a strict examination and search of all suspected persons endeavouring to cross the sea and transmit an account to me. [*Ibid.*]

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Oct. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Dover. The like letter with a note of the despatch of similar letters to Deal, Sandwich, Margate, Faversham, Gravesend, Folkestone, Rye, Hythe, Queenborough, and Romney. [*Ibid., p.* 168.]

Oct. 22. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. His Majesty is pleased to allow Mr. Eckhart, whom he has appointed to reside at Brussels, the same sum of money towards his equipage that was allowed to Mons. D'Herveart, to be paid in the same manner out of the secret service fund. [*Ibid., p.* 169.]

Oct 22. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Portland. The Dean of St. Paul's having been with me this afternoon, on behalf of one Kelsey, who is to be executed to-morrow for a burglary of which he was convicted at the last sessions at the Old Bailey, unless the King shall please to grant him a reprieve; this is desired, for a short time, as it is believed that the convict is able to give information concerning 14 or 15 notorious housebreakers who have already formed designs for robbing 30 or more houses of the most substantial citizens and he undertakes to give such directions as will lead to their apprehension; he desires no other mercy, but to be transported. The Dean, thinking this would be for the public benefit I acquaint you with it that it may be laid before the King and I enclose a warrant for his reprieve for a fortnight only that justice will no longer be delayed if he be not found deserving of mercy. [*Ibid., p.* 169.]

Oct. 22. Doctor's Commons. Sir Charles Hedges to the Earl of Nottingham. Concerning the powers for seizing ships of subjects of the Empire trading with France. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 19.]

Oct. 22. Hampton Court. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of graver and sinker to the Mint of Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 202.]

Oct. 22. Holland House. Order by the King to Lord Melville to give out copies of his instructions to the Lords Commissioners, to such persons as he shall find convenient. [*Ibid., p.* 203.]

Oct. 22. Warrant for the arrest of Lord Griffin, Lady Essex Griffin, and Elizabeth Robinson for high treason, and to search Lord Griffin's house and seize treasonable papers. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 472.]

Oct. 22. Whitehall. The like for the arrest of Mr. Hatcher, and Lady Elizabeth Hatcher, for high treason and to search Lord Griffin's house for seditious papers. [*Ibid., p.* 482.]

Oct. 22. The like for the arrest of the Sieur Bussey for treasonable practices. [*Ibid., p.* 483.]

Oct. 22. The like for arrest of —— Eagles for treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 22. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Don Antonio Bonaldi to go from London to Harwich, and there embark for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 484 *and* 35, *p.* 146]; for Ellen and Ann

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Daunilson with three children to go from London to St. Mary's in the Isle of Skillet [Scilly ?] [*Ibid.* 34, *p.* 485]; and for Capt. George Theaker and William Warner to embark at Chester, for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 146.]

Oct. 23. Dundalk. William Harboard to the King. The weather has been so wet that the country, camp, and even our houses have been drowned, the highways flooded, and public bridges broken by violence of the floods. Little or no action has happened between the enemy and us, more than that thirty of the Enniskillen dragoons and ten of Leveson's fell upon fourteen of the enemy's; took six and killed five of them; and some exchanges have been made of common men. Our men grow very sickly, and, for want of their officers' care, many die. The commanders who keep to the camp suffer very much and some die daily. The service grows uneasy to several, and, were it not for shame, there would be many employments void. Captain Hartopp of Cavendish's has quitted, and the General has given the troop to Captain Coote an excellent man who has done great service since his arrival here, most of the officers in Delamere's regiment are very desirous to quit. "None shift so well as the Dutch guards, no neither the French nor Carelson's (?), but indeed Count de Solms is a father to them."

I was formerly uneasy at the charge of the French regiment of horse; but now I find my mistake, for no horse can endure the camp except that body, who are still in good condition. I cannot conceive why no care has been taken by the French officers that came from Holland with your Majesty and were not incorporated into the four regiments. I found them so wanting that I prayed Mons. de la Melonniere, Du Cambon, and La Caliemotte, to prepare for me a list of them; and I gave them a month's subsistence, though I am almost as poor as they. Count de Solms has this week taken a view of the infantry and will send it to you, but I cannot get our muster-master to give you "that ease in my payments, as he ought." We hope, in a few days, to settle that matter better, so that the captains may not be paid for more men than they have.

"The Irish Committee are angry, I judge, that I do not constantly give them an account of occurrences here; and the General directs us to keep his intentions secret; so that I judge it better to let your Majesty know them; that so your Majesty may give such directions as to your wisdom shall seem meet."

There is no doubt our troops would have beaten the enemy, as often as they could have been brought fairly to them, but you cannot imagine what a difficult country this is to march in, "there is no passing but just upon the highways," with bogs on either side and these ways "are full of bridges" mostly ill kept or "broken down at the ends," so that "before a man can come at the bridge, he must wade, at least to the knee." Many smaller rivers have no bridges at all, and now, in the wet season, reach to a soldier's waist. "I must confess I have often prest my Lord General to march to the enemy (for having long known them, I cannot but despise them,) but his Grace desiring me first to see the way to them, I waited on him near the enemy's camp, and I am satisfied that it is impossible to come at them either by the sea-side or over any of the other two

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bridges, but with such a disadvantage as no man of common prudence would give the most contemptible enemy." The enemy have destroyed all the forage near them, and the ways are unpassable for great carriages, "so that with Danes or without Danes, I cannot see it now possible to march to them."

This being so, you may reasonably ask what is to be done, "for those in England who know not this, do I suppose wonder we do not march forwards." My Lord General is resolved to give the troops some refreshment, and if the horses do not have it they will die. He intends to send the weakest horse to Down, Antrim, and the parts adjacent, the best horses and dragoons towards Connaught, who forming the forces of Sligo and Enniskillen will reduce the greater part of the province this winter, only Galway and Athlone can make any resistance, and Russell has gone to treat with the governor of the first who was formerly his lieutenant-colonel. If that province be harassed this winter, so that no corn can be saved, "farewell to all the Irish in Ulster and Conought for ever; for what doth not fall by the sword will certainly perish by famine, next spring." Probably, therefore, the Irish will be forced to retire to Munster, for Leinster is pretty well harassed by them already. Now, if you can get a footing in Munster this fall, to disturb them in those parts from sowing, April and May will bring them "either to reason or their graves." Advises the King to send the Danes to Munster, where there is a landing place; "they can do us no good here but only help to starve us; there, they will contribute to starve the enemy." King James will never be able to draw so many men together again. As for his foot, had he no horse, 3,000 of our men would beat 20,000 of his, "for they are all poor articles."

I have often troubled you as to the want we shall be in, if money be not sent us; the army is subsisted to the end of October, or will be this day," and the Enniskillens to the first week in November, so that this easterly wind will, I hope, bring us some relief.

I have directed a survey to be taken of all the provisions here, which grow low, and I wonder we hear nothing of the third and fourth months' provisions which were sent from London two months ago. I have also sent to the Commissioners of the Treasury Major-Gen. Kirke's account. The officers of Stewart's and . . . . . regiments are very pressing for money.

The sick here and at Carlingford have been sent to Carrickfergus and so to the hospital at Belfast where it is believed there will be at least 200. The French apothecary has been put under arrest by the examination of two physicians for not bringing the medicines. 4,000 pair of shoes have been distributed, which I caused to be made at Northampton. At first, Lieut.-Gen. Douglas said they were the best and cheapest he ever met with, but now he does not like them though all the English colonels do. "The difficulty of pleasing makes me weary of taking pains to preserve that which I am sure had been on a very ill condition, had I not come over and vigourously took care of the General and it." I confess his behaviour is so obliging that I cannot be sorry for the trouble I am at. I hope you will consider my years and infirmities and really winter campaigns are too hard for me; my servants die fast.

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Major-General Kirke has taken some pains to adjust the matter with the Dutch (?) officers and we shall now save you the half-pay which the Duke desired them. Whenever you think fit to have the men new clothed it will be for the good of your service to have them clothed warmer and all by one hand. "Had I but known as much of a hospital in the spring as I do now, I am assured that I would have saved two-thirds of the men that have died, and prevented many from being sick. I am heartily sorry that I have bought the experience so dear at those poore creatures' cost. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 22.]

Oct. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. His Majesty being informed that Captain Powell, to whom a Commission has been granted to command a privateer, has engaged himself to be serviceable to some persons who have been discovered to have designs against the Government, I am directed to inform you of it, that his commission may be revoked. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 170.]

Oct. 23. Whitehall. The same to Major Wildman. In consequence of the late discovery of treasonable designs against the Government, his Majesty's commands are that the packet boats to Calais be entirely stopped until further order. I may add that his Majesty thinks that all interchange of letters with France should cease. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 23. Whitehall. The same to Governor of Dover. His Majesty is pleased to direct that you give orders to the respective ports under your charge, that no persons be permitted to pass from them, or either of them, till further order; but that all persons arriving at any of those places should be apprehended and secured. [*Ibid., p.* 170.]

Oct. 23. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I wrote to you, last night, about an order to prevent any one leaving the kingdom, and to apprehend all suspected persons endeavouring to embark at Dover; but these directions may be waived with regard to two French gentlemen, taken at sea by the Earl of Torrington, and permitted by his Majesty to return home with their three servants. They may continue at Dover until other passengers are allowed to sail from thence, and, for their better recognition, I send you some descriptions of them. They are Mons. de Forest and Mons. de Vignole; the first is a man about 28 years of age, black curly hair, and lame in one leg; the other, is about 32 years old, of middle stature, black "frisled" hair, mingled with gray; the three servants' names are La Jeunesse, Gaspar, and Vienne; the first is 30 years old, the end of his nose cut, with black lank hair; the second, is a youth of 16 and fair; the third is 17 years old, with a mark under his eye from a blow. Give these persons all the protection they require. [*Ibid. p.* 171.]

Oct. 23. Doctors' Commons. Sir Charles Hedges to Mr. Warre at Lord Nottingham's office at Whitehall, asking for his lordship's directions concerning prizes taken by the Dutch which they claim should be sent to Holland and disposed of there. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 23.]

Oct. 23. Kensington. Warrant for the reprieve of Thomas Kitsey, convicted at the Old Bailey, of burglary. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 484.]

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Oct. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower to receive Lady Essex Griffin into his custody. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 484.]

Oct. 23. Whitehall. Certificate that the Earl of Pembroke, envoy-extraordinary to the States-General, departed on his employment on the 30th May last and returned on the 11th of October. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 147.]

Oct. 23. Whitehall. Pass and post-warrants for Jean Sabathery to go to Hamburg; for Pierre Lodovein to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 485]; and for Lieut. Rigby to go to Chester or elsewhere on that coast. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 147.]

Oct. 24. The Camp at Soignies. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of the campaign. Marshal D'Humières decamped during the night of the 21st inst. and we marched toward Soignies. Movements of the troops and condition of the country. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 23.]

Oct. 24. Whitehall. Warrant directed to Col. John Beaumont, lieutenant of Dover Castle to admit John Parsons as yeoman-porter of Sandown Castle in the place of William Hewyett, deceased. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 66.]

Oct. 24. Whitehall. Warrant for Samuel Thayer to be gunner of Sandown Castle. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 24. Kensington. Warrant for a grant of the restitution of temporalities of the bishopric of Bristol to Dr. Ironside, from the translation of Sir Jonathan Trelawny to the see of Exeter. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 53, *p.* 234.]

[Oct. 24.] Allowance of the extra expenses of the Earl of Pembroke, late envoy-extraordinary to the States-General. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 147.]

Oct. 24. Passes for the Sieur de la Cherroy to embark at Harwich for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 485]; and for Henry Lutjens, of the city of Hamburg, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 147.]

[Oct. 25.] Warrant appointing John Gostling clerk M.A. to the canonry or prebend of Leicester St. Margaret in Lincoln Cathedral vacant by promotion of Dr. Nicholas Stratford to the bishopric of Chester. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 43.]

Oct. 25. Soignies. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Progress of the campaign. Asks for instructions as to movements of the troops. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 24.]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Deputy-Governor of Dover. Being informed that, on Tuesday night last, three square glass bottles, in two leather cases, were brought from London, and delivered into the hands of Mrs. La Force, at the "King's Head" in Dover, and his Majesty's service requiring that they, and Mrs. La Force, be strictly searched, I desire that, upon receipt hereof, you cause this to be done; when found, you will transmit the bottles, with all speed, to me and an account of your proceedings. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 172.]

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Oct. 25. Whitehall. The same to [the Lords of the Admiralty.] His Majesty being sensible of the service of Captain Andrew Douglas, as commander of the *Phœnix* when she went up to the relief of Londonderry, I am to recommend him to your lordships for such employment in the fleet as you shall judge him capable of. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 172.]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. The same [to the same.] Upon the inclosed petition, I am to signify his Majesty's pleasure that you give orders for the discharge of John George, now on board the *Expedition*, from any further service in the fleet. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Chiffnich, searcher at Gravesend. I have sent a messenger, with a warrant to bring up Lucian, in custody, and the other person whom your letter mentions to have been secured by the mayor. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 173.]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. His Majesty being informed of the arrival at Chester about 170 soldiers from Ireland, who being discovered to be papists, were dismissed out of the French regiments by the Duke of Schomberg and sent to England, and it being the King's pleasure that they should all be conveyed to Holland, I am to acquaint you therewith that you may give orders for vessels to receive them at Chester and transport them thither accordingly. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. The same to the Attorney-General. Understanding that Mr. Hooke, now a prisoner in the Tower, upon suspicion of high treason, has sued out his *habeas corpus*, and is to be brought up to the King's Bench, in order to be bailed, on Monday next, I have given directions for Mr. Smith to attend you with Mr. Cox's information against him. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 174.]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest, at the house of Nicholas Lown[d]es, of several persons, suspected of treasonable practices, concealed therein. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 486.]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. The like to receive into custody, at Gravesend, George Lucian, *alias* Trevor. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 25. Pass for Joannis Carfiser, his wife, Madelena, and his son Jacobus, to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Dover. I have enclosed you a copy of that part of the chairman's information as relates to one John Piggot and desire you to make strict search for him and if found take his examination and transmit it to me. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 174.]

Oct. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Fotherby. I hope this will find you safely arrived at Leith, with the Danish troops. I am to tell you that his Majesty would have you go with them into Ireland, and act as deputy-commissary of the Musters, for which you will receive instructions from Mr. Blathwait. The ratification of the Danish treaty, which Mr. Molesworth says you bring with you, may be sent by the express which you were ordered to dispatch hither to give notice of your arrival. Major-General Mackay has orders to administer the oath of fidelity to the troops. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 56.]

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Oct. 26. London. News letter. The armies are now in winter quarters. We are making great preparations for our fleet intended for the Mediterranean. Vice-Admiral Russell will command as far as Land's End and then Capt. Killigrew will command in the Straits; they will carry the Queen of Spain with them. Edinburgh letters say that the Highlanders are drawing into a body about Lochaber and that 300 Irish have joined them; they are not above 1,000 but they carry away great droves of cattle and plunder their country. They are in great want of bread and salt so that it is impossible for them to subsist long. Some persons have been seized at Inverness for attempting to carry them brandy and salt, and they are to be tried by a council of war. The Lords of the Council have given leave to some merchants to attempt the relief of Mr. Riddle and Mr. Gordon, two Presbyterian ministers now prisoners in France, offering some popish priests, who are now in custody, in exchange for them.

The late Lord Dundee's brother and one Stravan Robertson, who were taken prisoners after the engagement in the North, are brought to Edinburgh. Letters of the 22nd inst. from Chester say that part of Sir George St. George's regiment was sent to fetch the French deserters to the county hall within the Castle of Chester where they are to remain. A Dutch privateer has landed at Plymouth 200 French, most of whom came from the Bank bound to the Straits as passengers to Rochester from the Indies. From Falmouth it is said that on Thursday week two ships were seen fighting off the Lizard; it is believed one was a French privateer and the other an English merchantman. She fought till her mainmast was brought by the board and then they both stood off to sea. Yesterday the Lords Preston and Forbes, Sir John Fenwick, Sir Thomas Jenner, Thomas Chomondeley, William Burton, and Richard Graham, and Sir Robert Hamilton were brought to the King's Bench bar. The five former were bailed, but the House of Commons sent down their serjeant to desire Lord Lucas to bring Jenner, Burton and Graham to the House of Commons. The former was bailed and gone and the other two were committed to the serjeant's house for high misdemeanour, and a messenger sent to take Jenner into custody. Sir Robert Hamilton is remanded for want of sufficient bail. On Tuesday last the King knighted Ralph Box, esq.

The Earl of Marlborough and the Duke of Ormond have arrived at the Hague. The King of Spain will go from Madrid on the 15th November to Valladolid to meet the Queen, and the marriage will be "consummated" by the Cardinal and Archbishop of Toledo. A warrant was sent by the Commons to Lord Lucas to bring the Earl of Castlemaine, Charles Hales, Sir Edward Hales, and Obadiah Walker to the House. Charles Hales was discharged, the others were charged with high treason. Account of the impeachment for high treason of Lords Salisbury and Peterborough for joining the Roman Church. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 74, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 347.]

Oct. 26. London. News letter Letters from Vienna of the 13th inst. say that a courier passed by there from Prince Louis of Baden to the Emperor with an account that he had fortified Rizza, a place of great

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importance taken from Prince Lazarus of Servia by Sultan Amaruth third Emperor of the Turks; that he was advanced half-way to Sofia and understanding that the Turks had abandoned it, he had on his way taken the castles of Silistra, Muslena, Procopia, &c. The Turks were in the utmost confusion, the janizaries and spahis having encountered one another and killed 1,100 before the officers could appease them. Letters from the camp at Dundalk say the force there consists of 25 regiments of foot, nine of horse, and three of dragoons. On the 12th Mr. Hampson, Mr. Reed and Mr. Johnson, commander at Kilmore fort when it was surrendered to the Irish, arrived from Dublin at the camp, but the Duke's horse made them prisoners. They say that Col. Lutterell is Governor of Dublin, that there are four regiments in that garrison, and that salt is worth 50*s.* a barrel in the English camp. The Duke has constituted one Whaly Postmaster-General, and has taken into custody a French apothecary for not furnishing himself with sufficient medicines for the sick. Last night an express arrived from the camp with an account that King James had sent a detachment of 2,000 men to possess themselves of Jamestown upon the Shannon, understanding which, Colonel Lloyd marched with a party and got in two hours before those of King James arrived. Understanding the smallness of their number, King James' men have besieged them, believing they must surrender for want of provisions; whereupon the Duke of Schomberg sent a detachment of 1,500 horse to support Col. Lloyd. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 75, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 349.]

Oct. 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of several persons, wives of seamen on a merchant ship, Captain Welborne commander, viz., Peter Holt carpenter, William Carter mate, Timothy Birch, James Stephenson, George Anderson, Edward Blake, John Dodd, John Shipway, William Gill, and George Galley, who were after a fight taken prisoners and carried to Toulon. They pray that they may be exchanged for French prisoners. Referred to the Commissioners for Exchange. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 54.]

Oct. 26. Warrant for the arrest of ——— Peterman, a Frenchman, and Katherine, a maid servant to Lady Elizabeth Hatcher, for treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 487.]

Oct. 26. The like for arrest of John Penn for treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 26. Passes for the Sieur Eckhart, Mr. Henry Durell, Jean Philip Weistman, Jean Philip Rohner, Daniel Rose, and Thomas Waater, to go to Holland, and for William Assier to come from Holland to Gravesend [*Ibid., p.* 487]; for Major Ranald Grahme with Kemish Hugh, his servant, to embark at Dover for Flanders [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 147]; and for Thomas Grandyer and George Galer to embark at Chester for Ireland. [*Ibid., p.* 148.]

Oct. 28. Cassel. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Your letters relieve me from the trouble which the false news, told among us by the French, occasioned. This court is wholly devoted to the King's service. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 86.]

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Oct. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Feversham. Information has been received that there is a considerable number of arms, and several treasonable papers, concealed in the lodging of one Haynes in Somerset House Yard. I have issued my warrant for a search to be made and, in the meantime, in deference to her Majesty the Queen Dowager, have thought fit to give you notice of it. I doubt not but her Majesty will readily acquiesce in a matter of so great importance. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 175.]

Oct. 28. Holland House. A list of persons whose names are to be inserted in the Commission for the Lords and Senators of the College of Justice of Scotland :— Sir James Dalrymple of Stair, Sir John Baird of Newbyth, Mr. Alexander Swinton of Mersington, Sir Colin Campbell of Arbruchell, James Murray of Philiphaugh, James Dundas, of Arneston, Mr. John Hamilton of Halcraig, Mr. David Home of Crossrigg, Sir John Maitland of Revelrigg, Sir Robert Sinclair of Stephenson, Sir John Lauder of Fountainhall, William Anstruther of that Ilk, Mr. Archibald Hope of Ranquilor, Mr. James Falconer of Phesdo, and Robert Hamilton of Prestmeden. And we appoint the said Sir James Dalrymple of Stair, President in the absence of our Chancellor. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 203.]

Oct. 28. Holland House. Warrant for a commission to the Lords and Senators of the College of Justices in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 204.]

Oct. 28. Lord Melville to the Earl of Crawford. The account of I had of the packets being opened, going from hence, as also that which ought to have come here on Friday makes me have some fears of the flying packets being intercepted, which I sent last Thursday, in which was a Commission for the Lords of Session. Therefore, to prevent any inconveniences, his Majesty has signed another commission for the same persons, which I here enclose to your lordship There is no difference only in this, Sir Robert Sinclair is put in his right place. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 205].

Oct. 28. Whitehall. The same to Sir Robert Sinclair of Stephenson. I had not time to write to you myself on Thursday last, but I ordered my son to give you an account that his Majesty had thought fit to insert you in a Commission of the Lords of Session. You have given such evidence of your affection to him and the country lately, which makes me not doubt of your cheerful acceptance of that employment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 205.]

Oct. 28. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Crawford. "It was unhappy for the nation that there was no fund made for defraying the expenses of our forces. The King maintains many there upon English pay, and is not able to retain all. He will shortly signify his pleasure in this matter. The taking of the packets, both going from this, and coming from you, discovers an ill design at this time in that matter. The King hath commanded me to signify his pleasure, that the Council make all the enquiry possible to discover the persons who are guilty, and does expect an account of their care. His Majesty hath called for Major Wildman, and a speedy cause will be taken with your post-

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masters there, that the public service, as well as the private correspondence, may be more secure for the future." *Postscript.* "There being no Elymosinary as yet appointed, your lordship is desired to cause those who formerly provided the blue gowns to do it for this time, both for King and Queen: their number shall be sent *per* next." [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 206.]

Oct. 28. Approbation of the appointment of Simon Harcourt, esq., as Recorder of Abingdon. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 488.]

Oct. 28. Warrant to search the house of one Haynes in Somerset House Yard, or that of Thomas, his servant, for arms, and treasonable papers, and to arrest the persons in whose possession the same may be found. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 489.]

Oct. 28. Warrant to search the lodgings of George Lucian, a popish priest, in custody, and seize all books and papers. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 28. Warrant to James Manners to repair to Dover and receive into custody, Daniel Joyce for forging passes and conveying abroad suspected persons. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 490.]

Oct. 28. Passes for Peter Aubin to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 489]; for Charles Isaack and John Peters to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 490]; and for Anna Grahme, a Dutch woman, with three children, the eldest aged about 15, to go to Cornwall, and thence to the Isles of Scilly. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 148.]

Oct. 29. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jackson. I received your letter with the account of your disbursements for prisoners. Before sending to the Treasury, I wish to be informed concerning 11*l.* 12*s.* charged for Mr. Banahan, for, if the money be actually paid, rather than you should lose it, I will endeavor to get it allowed. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 175.]

Oct. 29. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Lieutenant General Ginckell is to have a yacht appointed him, for conveyance to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 176.]

Oct. 29. Whitehall. The same to the Dean of Christ Church. I have been much importuned by a poor old man, John Miles of Worcestershire, to recommend him for an almsman's place in your disposal. I doubt not but there are many pretenders that solicit you, but he makes application to me as having connection with the county he comes from. I can only say that his poverty and his great age render him a fit object for charity, and I shall be glad if you will consider his case. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 29. London. News letter. Plymouth letters say that there is arrived there from the West Indies the *Fidelity* of Jersey, Philip Foley, master, who says that the French have taken from the English the whole island of St. Christopher; that the Indians in Biscany (*sic*) are in rebellion and being joined by some French have done considerable spoil and taken a castle of 14 guns. Letters from Harwich say that last Tuesday arrived there six merchant ships from the east country laden with pitch, tar, hemp, etc., and which came in company with 20

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sail more with the convoy but were separated by stormy weather. A Danish ship from Norway laden with deal came into Harwich and her captain gave an account that he was boarded by two French men-of-war but his bills of lading being made for St. Malo, though bound for London, they let him pursue his voyage. Twenty great guns are sent out of the Tower to be planted on a fortification erecting at Milford Haven and Pembroke Castle for the defence of that coast. An embargo is laid upon all shipping and persons from going over sea for 10 days. King James has appointed Lord Lachell [Lochiell ?], a native Highlander, to head the rebels instead of Col. Cannon who continues in the Isle of Mull, but General Mackay has ordered two men-of-war to cruise round about and designs a force to suppress them. Yesterday Sir Thomas Hamilton was again brought up to the King's Bench court and admitted to bail, as also was one Bryan, a priest. Lord Salisbury was brought before the Lords and recommitted to the Tower for high treason being impeached thereof by the Commons. Sir Thomas Jenner was examined and has a week's time allowed him to answer the Common's accusation against him, viz., about the dispensing power and going down a commissioner to Magdalene College, Oxford, etc. One Grey, late chaplain to the Bishop of Durham, pleaded to an information in the King's Bench for turning the coronation sermon into a virulent ballad. Irish letters from the Camp of the 19th say that the Duke has brought all his artillery into a train having made trial of his draught-horses, and has loaded bombs, carcasses, etc. having some great design. Some conclude that he will press forward for Dublin and fight the enemy if he finds opposition. The pewterer who discovered the papers in the pewter bottle with a false bottom has had 50 guineas given him as a reward. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 76, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 351.]

Oct. 29. Warrant for the arrest of Mr. Hawes and Mr. Burdett, and to search their lodgings for suspected persons, and to seize all papers. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 490.]

Oct. 29. Warrant to the keeper of Lancaster Gaol for the discharge of John Gardee, a Frenchman, committed for bringing over letters from Ireland containing treasonable matter. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 491.]

Oct. 29. Warrant for a grant of the dignity of Earl of Bellamont to Richard, Lord Coote, Baron of Coloony. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 495.]

Oct. 29. Passes for John Sauselle to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 495]; and for Peter Phanel, a French Protestant, to embark at Chester or elsewhere on that coast, for Ireland. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 148.]

Oct 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Dorset. Upon the enclosed petition, I am commanded that the petitioner may have the elk's head restored to him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 176.]

Oct. 30. Warrant for arrest of —— Wilson for using scandalous words against the Government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 491.]

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Oct. 30. The like to search the lodgings of Thomas Romayne for treasonable and seditious papers, and, if found, to arrest him. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 492.]

Oct. 30. Warrant ordering "that on the 5th of November, in the morning prayer, and in the Litany, two additional prayers be used, together with those appointed for that day, and that, instead of the collect and the gospel in the Communion Service, these here appointed be used." [*Ibid.*]

Pass for Mons. Gellissole and Henry Vandieren to go to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 491.]

Oct. 31. The debts owing by Sir John Guise's regiment to the various tradesmen for accoutrements. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 44.]

Oct. 31. Observations on the abstract of the King's forces in Holland; the regiments mustered are Col. Hodges', the Royal regiment of Foot, the Fuzilliers, Sir David Collyer's, Col. Churchill's, Col. Hales', Col. O'Farrell's, and the Coldstream regiments. To prevent, for the future, certain inconveiences set out, it is proposed, amongst other things, that the English commissary of musters be altered yearly and that a Dutch commissary be joined with him. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 25.]

Oct. 31. Whitehall. The King to Sir Thomas Pilkington, lord mayor of London. "Having signified our pleasure to the Bishop of London, requiring him to give directions unto the clergy of that our city and places adjacent that they should in the most effectual manner recommend to the charity of their respective congregations the poor and wretched state of many distressed families who are fled into Switzerland from the persecutions of France and Savoy and have nothing now to rely on but the benevolence and contributions that shall be sent them from abroad, they having already received what that country (not otherwise abounding) has been able to afford them and they being besides destitute of those means for their support which they drew from the labour and industry of those of their relations who are now seeking to recover the possession of their lands from whence they were forcibly expelled: and that all encouragement may be given to so pious a work, we have thought fit to require your assistance and endeavours, that our good subjects inhabiting in that our city, who have already showed their exemplary zeal for the protestant religion by their extraordinary kindness to those who suffer for it, may be again stirred up compassionately to consider the case of these their brethren and accordingly send them relief in some proportion to their pressing necessities; and we have directed that the monies so collected shall be put into such hands as you and the Bishop of London shall appoint to receive the same, to be disposed of to the uses it is raised for." [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 32.]

Oct. 31. Whitehall. The same to Henry, Bishop of London. The distress of the protestants in Switzerland is greatly increased "by the departure of considerable numbers of the strongest and ablest men amongst them (whose labour and industry contributed in great measure towards

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the support of their friends and relations) with a design to resettle themselves in some of those places from whence they had been driven; by which means the aged persons left behind with their wives and children are reduced to extreme necessity." We are deeply affected at their deplorable state and have just impressions of their extraordinary patience and the constancy of their faith and we think it incumbent upon us to afford them some help, not doubting the same disposition in our subjects. We therefore commend their case to your especial consideration, requiring you to give direction to the clergy of our city of London and parts adjacent "that in their public assemblies upon the next Lord's day, or as soon as may be possible, they represent the necessities of these poor people and by the most prevailing arguments excite their parishioners in a compassionate regard to their sufferings, freely to contribute to their relief." [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 33.]

Oct. 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Bristol. I received your letter with the account of the Irish prisoners who receive subsistence. As to that part of it which relates to Mr. Banahan I have already, to your predecessor, Mr. Alderman Jackson, given directions as to his maintenance in future, which I must desire you to pursue till further order, and as you have represented Mr. Macdonnall's circumstances, in relation to his necessities and confinement, to be the same with the rest, it is fitting that the same care should be taken of him for the future in proportion to the position he last had in the army. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 177.]

Oct. 31. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. As I do not find Mrs. La Force charged with anything more than having something sent to her by persons known to be disaffected to the Government, she may be discharged, being cautioned, that if she would avoid future trouble, to give you notice if any suspected persons come to her house, or if any thing be sent in a clandestine manner to be conveyed beyond sea. If Piggot be apprehended you must use your discretion to commit him or not as shall appear on his examination. I hope the example of Joyce, who is sent for in custody, will be a warning to all others concerned to be more faithful and diligent in securing the passage and I should be glad to be informed by you what is the best course to be taken with those who pursue a trade in carrying persons to France, who have no allowance to go, from several of the adjacent ports and creeks. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 31. Kensington. Warrant to Col. Beaumont to swear Stephen Bayley, as gunner of Sandgate Castle, in the place of Alexander Devereux, deceased. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 21.]

Oct. 31. Kensington. Warrant to the same to swear Leonard Gittons, as gunner of Sandgate Castle, in the place of John Smith. deceased. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 31. Kensington. The like to swear John Clarke as gunner in the same place in the room of David Lamper, deceased. [*Ibid.*]

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Oct. 31. Kensington. Warrant for the presentation of Dr. Samuel Freeman to the rectory of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, void by the promotion of Dr. Simon Patrick to the see of Chichester. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 53, *p.* 235.]

Oct. 31. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry, Duke of Grafton, to protect the game in and within 20 miles of Euston. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 148.]

Oct. 31. Passes for Captain Bruse and Pierre Lafone to go from any part of the river, or from Harwich, to Holland; for John Macknuckle to go from London to Scotland; for Benjamin Milner, Sarah, his wife, and Susan, their maid, to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 492]; for Mr. John Crawford to go to Holland; for Jan de Neuevilly to go to Holland; for Bernhardinus de Moor to go to Holland; for Eve Breadsmith, and two children, to go to Holland; for the servants of the Baroness de Frize, viz.:—Mr. Christian Greichman, gentleman of the horse, Mr. Beauregard, page, James Schrey, coachman, Christian Gure, postillion, Wolff Schutz, footman, Ester, and Elizabeth, two maidservants, Ann Hooghstrate, with her daughter Mary, and Mrs. Chara, with two daughters to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 493]; for William Cuthbertson to go to Holland [*Ibid*]; for Stephen Linch to go to Holland or Flanders; for the Sieur Durand Buttavier [to go to Holland], recommended by Mons. Duburdieu, minister of the Savoy; and for Katherine Vanden Buss and three children to go from any part of the river to Harwich. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 494.]

Oct. Memorandum as to the strength and distribution of the allied forces. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 26.]

Oct. Pass for Jeanne Ponniers and four children to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 471.]

Nov. 1. Account of supply due and of money paid to the forces from the previous 27th March. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 27.]

Nov. 1. Commission for John Johnson, gent., to be quarter-master in Sir James Leslie's regiment of foot. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 127.]

Nov. 1. Whitehall. Commission for Henry Higden for be a lieutenant to Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Cotton, in the second regiment of foot guards, commanded by Colonel Thomas Talmash. [*Ibid.* 3, *p.* 8.]

Nov. 1. Whitehall. Commission for Randolph Cooke for be ensign in Captain Richard Wibrow's company in the regiment of foot commanded by Sir George St. George; and Charles Ashe, gent., to be ensign to Captain Nicholas Brady in Sir George St. George's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 11.]

Nov. 1. Whitehall. Commission to John Cradock, gent., to be lieutenant to Samuel Pash's company in Sir George St. George's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 12.]

Nov. 1. Holland House. Warrant for William Scott, cabinet maker in Edinburgh, to be sole and only maker of cane chairs in Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 206.

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Nov. 1. Holland House. Warrant for a commission for Mr. Andrew Kennedy of Clowburn to be conservator of the Scots' privileges at Campheir, and Resident for the affairs of Scotland in the seventeen provinces of the Netherlands. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 207.]

Nov. 1. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of a yearly fee of 100*l.* to the same Andrew Kennedy as their Majesties' conservator of the Scots' privileges in the Netherlands, and Resident for Scotch affairs in the seventeen provinces of the Low Countries. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 209.]

Nov. 1. Pass for Samuel Legat to go from London to Devonshire. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 491]; and post-warrant for William Sutton to go to Oxford. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 150.]

Nov. 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, Colonel Whitley, who was lately named by his Majesty to be *Custos Rotulorum* for the county of Flint, desiring to be excused from that office, it is his Majesty's pleasure that a bill be prepared for his son, Thomas Whitley, esq., to hold that office. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 178.]

Nov. 2. Whitehall. The same to Mayor of Dover. Since my letter to you of the 22nd October, about stopping the ports, some of those persons have appeared who were the occasion of those orders being given; therefore the orders may be relaxed; but permit only those to pass who are allowed. Even those that have passes must be searched for letters which are to be examined, and, if necessary, sent here. [*Ibid.*, *entered again, in part, on p.* 180.]

Nov 2. Whitehall. The same to Sir William Dolben. At the sessions at the Old Bailey before the last, there was tried, when you were upon the bench, one John Harman a Dutch soldier for killing a young child, for which he was found guilty and received sentence of death. Many applications having been made to the King to pardon him, you will do a favour if you send me an account how these facts appeared to you on the trial that I may lay them before the King. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 180.]

Nov. 2. Whitehall. Warrant to Lord Lucas to receive Edward, Lord Griffin into the Tower, for holding correspondence with the King's enemies. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 495.]

Nov. 2. Warrant for arrest of Mons. Chretien, a Frenchman, for disobeying an order to quit the kingdom. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 495.]

Nov. 3. Warrant for arrest of the Earl of Ancrum on suspicion of dangerous designs against the Government. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 495.]

Nov. 2. Warrant for keeper of the Gate House to receive the body of —— Patrick, committed for high treason. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 13.]

Nov. 2. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. John Blondeel and Mr. Peter Van Hoechen to go to Holland; for Mr. Thomas Jervais to go from London to Basingstoke; for Dr. Hutton, his Majesty's first physician

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in ordinary, to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Books* 34, *p.* 494]; and for Cornelius Witteman and David Witteman to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 495.]

Nov. 3. Paris. James Kenney to Andrew Browne. Inside is a copy of the attestation you must send me under the Earl of Tyrconnell's hand. I hope this will find you and all friends well. Let none of my friends expect to hear from me as yet; the bearer will tell the reason. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *p.* 45.] *Appending*:—

Draft certificate that Andrew Brown and James Kenney are natives of "this town" and Roman Catholics, good and faithful subjects of King James the Second, and that certain goods shipped from the island of Montserrat are their property. [*Ibid., No.* 45 (*i*).]

Nov. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Major Wildman. Lord Griffin being now come in, the King thinks it unnecessary to continue the stop any longer upon the ports and the packet boats may now go as formerly even to Calais, until you break off entirely that way of sending letters. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*), *p.* 179.]

Nov. 3. Whitehall. Pass for William Wilkins to embark at Cheshire, or elsewhere, for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 150.]

Nov. 4. Dundalk. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. My French secretary has fallen sick. Describes the four regiments arrived from Scotland; Hastings' troop does not consist of 300 soldiers. The enemy cannot be forced to battle on account of the nature of the country. Unless arrangements are made here, similar to those in France and Flanders, for furnishing supplies at fixed prices, it will not be possible to sustain this war. Expresses his devotion to the King, which induces him to endure so many hardships.

November 5. Most of the enemy's army has marched towards Drogheda, except eight regiments of infantry and one of cavalry, left in a fortification made at Ardee. From what can be learnt from deserters and the country people a number of them are dead. I, yesterday, sent away some of the regiments, as I should have done the whole army if I had dared to quit this position where we have ships in which we have our sick; but the contrary wind hindered the ships from going out from this port in which from its position they are not secure from being burnt by the enemy. I am surprised at not hearing anything of Trelawny's descent on the "parts of Kinsale." I can hardly believe that the enemy suspected his movement, as they sent a large detachment from Sligo, where Colonel Russell has lost some men. Having stayed six days at Enniskillen, with the troops with which he left here, he tells me that he has retired to Ballyshannon I have sent from here all the Enniskillen troops, and Lanier, with his regiment and that of Hesfoot [Heyford ?]. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 28]

Nov. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Major General Kirke. I received your letter of the 24th October, with one enclosed, which, by its contents I understood to be from Justin Macarty, though I find it subscribed

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by another name, and, for that reason, I cannot send an answer directly to himself, which I would otherwise have done, in remembrance of our former acquaintance, because I believe he has forgot the old name which we knew one another by, and here we have not yet learnt the new one. However, I have still the same esteem for him that I ever had and heartily wish him his liberty, and for the procuring it I readily joined, in the expedient proposed of exchanging him for Lord Mountjoy, and hoped to have heard that some course had been taken towards effecting it, which now depends upon the endeavours that are to be used in Ireland. I am so well satisfied as to his being a man of honour, that, as for myself, I should rely upon his word for anything he might engage in; but, this being the concern of another gentleman who certainly has suffered, and still suffers, extremely, as well as undeservedly, I cannot act in it, but by the advice of his friends, who from the usage Lord Mountjoy has hitherto met with "are very jealous that they would be more careless of giving him his liberty if they once understood" (*Letter imperfect ?*). [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 179.]

Nov. 4. Message from the King to Convocation. His Majesty has summoned this convocation not only because it is usual upon holding of a Parliament, but out of a pious zeal to do everything that may tend to the best establishment of the Church of England, which is so eminent a part of the reformation and is certainly the best suited to the constitution of this government, and therefore does most signally deserve and shall always have both his favour and protection; and he doubts not but that you will assist him in promoting the welfare of it, so that no prejudices, with which some men may have laboured to possess you, shall disappoint his good intentions or deprive the church of any benefit from your consultations. His Majesty therefore expects that the things that shall be proposed shall be calmly and impartially considered by you, and assures you that he will offer nothing to you but what shall be for the honour, peace, and advantage both of the protestant religion in general, and particularly of the Church of England. *Note.* This message was delivered by Lord Nottingham. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 44.]

Nov. 4. Pass to Colonel Richard Crofton, Captain George Brook, Captain Boyle Allworth, Mr. James Smith, Mr. James Temple, Mr. Robert Chilham, Mr. James Chilham, Mr. John Hinde, Mr. Henry Brooke, Mr. George Brooke, Mr. Blainy, with two servants of Colonel Crofton, to go from Chester, Liverpool or Hoylake to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 497.]

Nov. 5. Oxford. Dr. John Wallis to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I sent you by the common post on Sunday morning, that you might have it the sooner, the postscript of that letter the body of which I send with this, which is in Mons. De Teil's second cipher. There is another letter of the same date (Oct. 5, 1689), and I suppose from the same hand, but to some other person, and it is in a different cipher from any I have yet deciphered, which will create a new difficulty. The other letters, whether some or all of them are in a new cipher, I have not yet examined. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 46.]

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Nov. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Bristol. His Majesty having been moved in Council about prisoners in several parts of this kingdom, upon the directions given for stopping the ports and apprehending all dangerous and suspicious persons, I desire you to send me a correct list of all such as are imprisoned in any of your gaols, by virtue of such directions, with as full an account as you can of the quality of the persons, their respective crimes, and the evidence against them, wherein you are to take the advice of some neighbouring justices of the peace and to transmit the same to me that it may be considered and further directions given. Similar letters were sent to the mayors of Pembroke, Chester, Liverpool, and Carlisle, and to the chief magistrate of Whitehaven, Holyhead, and Beaumaris. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 181.]

Nov. 5. Whitehall. The same to Lords of the Admiralty. I wrote to your lordships, formerly, concerning orders to be given for the bringing Mr. (*sic.*) Charles Scarborough from Lisbon; but his friends, now considering the uncertainty when one of his Majesty's ships may call there, and there being a fleet now going to the Groyne, from whence some of the ships are immediately to return here, they think this the best opportunity he can have; and, his Majesty approving of it, you are to give the necessary orders that if he arrive at the Groyne before the fleet sail from thence, he, his servants, and equipage, be received on board and brought to England. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 5. Grant of the place of residentiary in St. Paul's, void by the promotion of Dr. Stillingfleet to the bishopric of Worcester, to Dr. Stanley. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 247.]

Nov. 5. Passes and post-warrants for Thomas Pulteney, to go from London to Chester, Hoylake or any other part of the kingdom and from thence to Ireland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 494]; and for Mr. James Vergier, a Frenchman, to go to France, he being ordered to quit the kingdom. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 497.]

Nov. 6. The King grants the place of residentiary in St. Paul's, void by the promotion of Dr. Tillotson to the archbishopric of Canterbury, to Dr. Sherlock. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 247.]

Nov. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Principal Commissioners of Prizes. At the instance of the Spanish Ambassador, his Majesty has directed a commission of appeal for receiving some sentences, lately given in the Court of Admiralty, and particularly in the case of the ship *St. Joseph*; that commission not as yet being appointed under the Great Seal, the persons concerned in the said ship desire that this delay may not prove prejudicial to them, and that their goods may in the mean time be unladen [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 182.]

Nov. 6. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Enclosing a letter from the Trinity House at Hull with a request that they will give such orders therein as will be for the benefit of his Majesty's service and the encouragement of trade. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 183.]

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Nov. 6. Pass to Mr. Jacque Audineau to go from Dover to Flanders or Nieuwport. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book*, 34, *p.* 497.]

Nov. 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Wardens of the Trinity House at Hull. I have sent your letter to the Lords of the Admiralty, who will give the necessary orders in this matter. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 182.]

Nov. 7. Cassel. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Continental news. On the 5th inst. "the day his Majestie landed most happily in England, the Landgrave made a most noble entertainment on purpose, drinking to the health and prosperity of their Majesties." [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 96.]

Nov. 7. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant, to John Stede, gentleman, of the office of clerk of the market of St. Michaels *alias* Bridge Town, Spykes Town, and all other towns on the island of Barbadoes as fully as Thomas Robson, gentleman, held it. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 1.]

Nov. 7. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Richard Lloyd, esq., of the offices of clerk of the crown and clerk of the peace in Jamaica. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 498.]

Nov. 7. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Thomas Ogle, governor of Chelsea Hospital, to admit Christopher Capel, as barber to that hospital. [*Ibid.* 35, *p.* 150.]

Nov. 7. Whitehall. Passes for the *Hannah and Jane*, Robert Hepburne, master, to sail from London to Spain. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 22.]

Nov. 8. Navy Office. Sir John Berry to the Marquis of Carmarthen. I send your lordship a list of those ships that were hired for their Majesties' service, with an account of which of them victualled for the West Indies and which for Newfoundland. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 47.]

Nov. 8. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Ridgway, praying for a grant of the ships and goods belonging to rebels in Ireland. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 218.]

Nov. 8. Whitehall. Licence to Sir William Williams, one of the King's counsel, to act as counsel for Gaynor Jones and William Crosse in an action brought against them. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 2.]

Nov. 8. Whitehall. Passes for Jean Desperoy to go with his necessaries from any part of the river or from Harwich to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 1]; for Mr. Benjamin Barton, John Green, and John St. Loe, his servant, to go from any part of the river or from Harwich, to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 497.]

Nov. 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Captain Killigrew. Mr. Baker, who has been proposed to go with you into the Straits, to be employed in ratifying the peace with Algiers, Tunis, and Tripoli, in case you cannot attend that service yourself, insists upon such high terms that I question if the King will purchase his service at so high a rate—5*l.* a day, the pay of an envoy. He also claims an arrear of above

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600*l.* due to him while consul at Tripoli. Whereupon I have considered that as nothing more is now required than the confirmation of the treaties as they stand at present, without any alteration, whether this might not be as well, or better, performed by any of the captains of the fleet who may be supposed to have at least as much respect paid him as to one who has lived, and is known, amongst those people. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 184.]

Nov. 9. Whitehall. Warrant to swear Thomas Nowell as serjeant of the Admiralty of the Cinque Ports. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 22.]

Nov. 9. Holland House. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of writing and keeping of the Minute Book of the Lords of Session. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 210.]

Nov. 9 Whitehall. Warrant for Richard Browne, one of the messengers of his Majesty's chamber in ordinary, to search for and arrest James Bruce for dispersing scandalous and seditious news against the Government, and to seize all his papers. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 3.]

Nov. 9. Whitehall. Warrant for John Grobham How, esquire, to hold weekly markets on Saturdays and three fairs yearly, on the 11th April, the 24th June, and the 29th September, in the town of Pontypool lying in the manors of Wentsland and Bringwin, in the county of Monmouth. The said manors being the inheritance of Anne and Frances Morgan, infants, daughters of Sir Edward Morgan, deceased, whose mother is married to the said John Grobham How. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 9. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Philipp Draycot, esquire, to go with two servants and three horses from Dorsetshire to his own house in Staffordshire [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 1]; and for the Earl of Arran to go, with four horses and three servants, from London to Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 2.]

Nov. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord Chamberlain. His Majesty having seen your report upon Sir (*sic*) Charles Scarborough's petition, concerning his lodgings in Scotland Yard, and approving the settlement made thereof by King Charles II., is pleased that Sir Charles should be continued in the quiet possession of the same during his life. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 183.]

Nov. 10 Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Joseph Gilstrep for high treason. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 10.]

Nov. 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Samuel Watts, headborough of Hammersmith. You are to forthwith deliver up to Sir William Stych the two coach horses and the two padds which were lately seized, in his custody, to their Majesty's use by virtue of a late Act of Parliament for seizing horses belonging to papists he having given security for the redelivery of the same upon demand; and in the meantime they are only to be used for his intended journey for the recovery of his health. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 183.]

Nov. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Customs. A French merchant, Peter De Clos, who arrived in the west of England about January last on board the ship the *St. Joahn* of Rochelle,

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appears before me in discharge of an obligation he entered into, by direction of some of your officers at Penzance; and finding that he was secured only under a general order of council for apprehending all Frenchmen at the first rupture between the two Crowns, and considering that he was here some months before the order was made, under the necessity of looking after that ship, I am of opinion that he ought to have his liberty and the bond he has given delivered up to him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 185.]

Nov. 11. Whitehall. Warrant to search for and apprehend Simon Buttrice for uttering seditious words against the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 5.]

Nov. 11. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Guillaume Van Battum to go with necessaries from Harwich or (any part of the river) to Holland and to return again [*Ibid.*, *p.* 4]; for Mr. Peter De Clos and Francis Champelon to pass from London to Penzance in Cornwall and thence to Scilly and return; Mr. Richard Johnson to go from London to Chester; for Martin Smout to go with his necessaries from any part of the river or Harwich to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 5]; for John de la Haye and Peter Perrouse, the first aged 40, and the other 30, hatters by trade, and both poor French protestants, to go to Gravesend, or elsewhere and pass to Edinburgh, recommended by Mr. Torin, hatmaker at Wandsworth; for Garret Barry and James Walters, "two young gentlemen," to embark at Gravesend, or thereabouts, for Lisbon. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 150.]

Nov. 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. I desire you to acquaint the Lords of the Treasury that my letter of the 22nd of October was written by reason of Lord Griffin absenting himself; now that he has appeared there is no occasion to take more than the ordinary care to prevent the passage of such as have no allowance for it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 185.]

Nov. 12. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Ranelagh. The King has been much importuned of late by the frequent petitions of the widows of several soldiers who have been killed in his service; and, as it may often happen during the war, has commanded me to signify to you to propose to him some scheme whereby he may be able to gratify petitioners of this kind to which he is graciously disposed. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 186.]

Nov. 12. News letter. The Jews will rather remove their effects into Holland than pay the imposition which Parliament has designed to lay upon them, which is 100,000*l.* sterling to carry on the war; that next year the rest of the 1,400,000*l.* to be raised by a subsidy of 2*s.* in the pound of all lands, and double of those that refuse the new oath of allegiance and supremacy. It is said that the King has some jealousy of some of the Cabinet Council, for giving an account of all designs against the French for the next year, which is very unpleasant. On Sunday last, a new apartment, building in the house which the King bought of Lord Nottingham in Kensington, suddenly fell flat to the ground, killing seven or eight workmen and labourers. The Queen had been in that apartment but a little while before. Lord

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Arran came privately out of the Tower last night, in the dark of the evening, took a pair of oars and went to Chelsea where some servants and his horses met him, and rode away to Scotland. The House of Commons has ordered an address to be drawn up to desire the King to send fit persons to see into the state of the army in Ireland. At St. Malo they have lately taken 12 rich merchantmen from the English one of them having 80,000 pieces of eight, besides other rich lading. Lord Griffin is under the Black Rod but expects to be bailed in two or three days. Lord Preston on claiming his peerage, granted by King James as St. Germans, was committed for high treason.

On the 5th inst. there was sent to Scotland from Berwick 40,000*l.* to pay the Danes with when they land. The French vessels laden with arms, ammunition, and 2,000,000 crowns, for Ireland, met with the *Dover* frigate and the *Portland*. The *Dover* took one of them laden with 4,000 stand of arms, powder and ammunition, the other got away for Ireland. The vessel which had the money escaped. A Danish vessel coming in four days from St. Martin's gives an account that there are 80 sail of French men-of-war with 10,000 soldiers embarked ready to set sail for Ireland with all speed. Lord Berkeley is to go soon with 17 vessels, and Admiral Russell with another squadron, for Zealand, to conduct the Queen of Spain. Several commissioners are sent to Ireland to inspect the army. I am told that the Duke of Brandenburg will quit his alliance with the Emperor because the Emperor will not suffer any of the Duke's forces to have their winter quarters in his country. This is credibly told me since Lord Lexington came home from his embassy from that place. We have had a report these ten days that the French have landed eight or ten thousand men in Ireland from Brest under the command of Count Lauzon. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 77, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 353.]

Nov. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. Mr. Albion Chare having made application to me to move you on his behalf for a commissioner's place of the wine licences, I desire you to recommend him to Mr. Young and Mr. Russell, the two surviving commissioners, upon a late contract, to be by them nominated for the employment. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 186.]

Nov. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. It is sometime since his Majesty directed a commission to pass under the Great Seal for hearing causes upon appeals from the court of Admiralty, which not only the persons concerned, but the ambassadors and minister of those princes whose subjects are appellants, seem very impatient for. His Majesty, being informed that this commission lies before you, commands me to press you for its dispatch. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 187.]

Nov. 13. The Earl of Nottingham to the Earl of Torrington. There being news that several of the Danes, both horse and foot, are driven upon the coast of England, and there landed, I conclude that parts of the orders relating to the providing of more ships for their transport

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from Scotland will be needless, and, therefore, that you will respite the executing of it, till his Majesty's further pleasure be known to-morrow. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 56.]

Nov. 13. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Francis Gendron to go from any part of the river or Harwich to Holland; for George Gammon and Livesea Dodson to go with their necessaries from Harwich, or any part of the river, to Holland; for Mr. Thomas Foley, Mr. Bragg, Mr. Henry Ashurst, Mr. Shower, and Mr. Pruder to go with their servants and necessaries from any part of the river or Harwich to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 6]; for Mary Cunningham to go from Harwich, or any part of the river to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 7]; and for Peter Gautier aged 40, and Paul Galabin, aged 22, both French protestants and hatters by trade, to embark at Gravesend for Berwick-upon-Tweed, recommended by Mr. Torin. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 151.]

Nov. 14. ——— to King William. Congratulating him on his birthday, his happy descent on England and expressing admiration of his actions. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 29.]

Nov. 14. "Luinegarve." The Duke of Schomberg to the same. Sends this by Mr. Lumley Sir John Lanier's lieut.-colonel. Our chief difficulty is marching with a *corps d'armée* from the side of Sligo; we lack carriages to carry the bread, an absence that will be more felt when the Danes arrive. It is difficult to carry on the campaign at this season. I have put the troops into the villages and towns from Newry to here, and Armagh. According to Lord Shrewsbury's letter, I have given Sanky, Lovelace's regiment. Sir Henry Ingleby has the gout, and his regiment is much wasted. I have made Purcell its lieutenant-colonel. I have sent Sir John Lannier to the side of Sligo with the regiments of Halford (?) and Hastings; but he has not passed Enniskillen, making the excuse that he cannot find subsistence for the troops: the Enniskillen troops have also had order to follow him; I have had a second letter from him, full of difficulties. All this makes me see plainly that the officers only desire rest. Lanier says that his regiment was in a wretched state before going to Scotland. I have just learned that two of his horsemen have gone to give themselves up at Charlemont. A lieutenant, a "creature" of Lord Dartmouth (Dormouth), has been arrested for wishing to do the same. I have ordered Shales to send to the side of Ballyshannon, a ship laden with biscuit and meal, and have asked him how he can furnish us with carriages, in case we should wish to march in this country. Pressed for the truth, he confesses that he cannot supply more than twenty-four [ships]. Count Schomberg, having no great work to carry on here at this season, asks permission to go to the Elector of Brandenburg to look after some business at that Court. Mr. Harboard makes great profit out of the musters, the hospital, the artillery and the payment of the troops; he is laid up with the gout. I have been laid up for a month with "une fluxeon sur la poitrine"; the doctors here advise me to go to England; asks permission to do so towards the spring. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 30.]

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Nov. 14. Whitehaven. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Jacob Astley. I am obliged for your account of the landing of part of the Danish forces, and I hear that more of them are come into the Humber. His Majesty has given orders that care shall be taken of them as also for their marching towards Ireland. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 187.]

Nov. 14. Whitehall. The same to Lieutenant-Governor Billingsley. Your letter was brought to me yesterday, concerning one Kingsley, who having been formerly secured, as he was going to serve King James, has now taken the oaths and declared his intention to serve their Majesties. If you are satisfied with his security, his Majesty is willing that he be discharged. [*Ibid., p.* 189.]

Nov. 14. Whitehall. The same to Captain Jeremy Lillestone. Encloses a petition presented to the King. [*Ibid., p.* 219.]

Nov. 14. The Lord Chamberlain's warrant for the delivery of certain stuffs &c., to Captain Henry Killigrew, for distribution in Algiers. [*Ibid., p.* 213.]

Nov. 14. Cassel. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. I entreat the continuance of the votes of Parliament which will be of great use to me, now I am sure they are right, which often they were not when written "Confidential News." I intend to leave this Court on Monday next. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 100.]

Nov. 14. Whitehall. Proclamation for the apprehension of Col. Edmund Ludlow, the regicide, who has presumed to enter this kingdom. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 39.]

Nov. 14. Whitehall. Warrant for presentation of Francis Stooke, clerk, M.A., to the vicarage of Bovey Tracy in the county of Devon and diocese of Exetor, void by the death of Robert Carter. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 36.]

Nov. 14. Whitehall. Order, reciting that complaint had often been made that divers persons did rudely press, and with evil language and blows, force their way into the King's theatres (called the Theatre Royal in Bridge Street and the Duke's Theatre, now the Queen's Theatre, in Dorset Garden) at the time of public representations and actings, without paying the price established at both the said theatres, to the great disturbance of the King's servants licensed by royal authority, and to the danger of the public peace, and directing that no person, of what quality soever, presume to come into either of the said theatres during the time of acting nor until the plays are quite finished, without paying the price established for the respective places. The money which shall be so paid by any persons for their respective places, shall not be returned again after it is once paid, notwithstanding that such persons shall go out at any time during the play. And, to avoid further fraud, everyone shall take a ticket at the offices appointed for that purpose, and deliver it to the respective door-keepers before they enter into the pit, first, or upper galleries.

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And forasmuch as it is impossible to command those vast engines used in operas (which move the scenes and machines), and to order such number of persons as must be employed in works of that nature, if any but such as belong thereunto be suffered to press in amongst them, it is commanded that no person, of what quality soever, presume to stand or sit on the stage, or to come within any part of the scenes at either theatre before the opera or play begins, while it is acting, or after it is ended. It is also commanded to the officers and guard of soldiers, which attend the respective theatres, not to allow any footmen and servants who attend there to come within the said theatres during the time any play or opera is being represented, or make any noise without to disturb the audience, and to see this order exactly observed. And if any person or persons whatsoever shall disobey this order he or they shall be proceeded against as "contemners" of the regal authority and disturbers of the peace. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 7.]

Nov. 14. Whitehall. Pass for John de Iradains to go with his necessaries from Harwich, or any part of the river to Holland. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Nottingham. The King commands your attendance at my office this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Similar letters were sent to Lord Halifax and the Marquis of Carmarthen. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 187.]

Nov. 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. The King gave me the enclosed letters, and recommended me to send them to you, with this direction, that he would have you cause the matter of the complaint contained in them to be strictly and speedily examined, and if you find the same to be true, that you take care the offenders be severely punished. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 56.]

Nov. 15. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Fotherby. The gentleman, by whom I received yours of the 12th instant, will bring you this to welcome you into England, after the many hardships under which you have laboured. The difficulties are beginning now, on our side; for, it seems, by your letter, that it is impossible to send the troops by sea to [from ?] Scotland, without great expense and delay and greater hazard; and, therefore, though all the ships are ready at Lochryan, in Scotland, and have been so for a long time, to the great charge of the King, in order to transport the Danes into Ireland, yet the King is pleased, to prevent any further damage to the troops, and perhaps the total loss of them, to order them to be disembarked, and has written to the Prince of Wurtemberg to land them, with all speed, in order to their march by land to Chester, and from thence to be transported into Ireland. And you must on your part take more than ordinary care to prevent any abuses that may be committed by them in the country through which they shall pass; every offender is to be punished, with the utmost severity. The King has written to the Prince of Wurtemberg to the same effect that he might cause exact discipline to be observed. The King has ordered 12,000*l.* or 13,000*l.* to be sent to Hull for these troops, for which the orders will be despatched to-morrow, and may perhaps be at

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Hull as soon as this; so that the soldiers will be enabled to discharge their quarters and pay duly on their march. You must take an exact account of the numbers and condition of the horse and foot, and what damage or loss has been sustained in this voyage, and transmit it to me, so soon as you can, and you will also send me the ratification, by the first convenient conveyance.

I received, yesterday, yours dated October 31, with the enclosed protest, which, by the account you then gave me, seems to have been necessary, and has now proved to be more so. If you had gone to Leith you would have found letters from me, and from Mr. Blathwait, by which you would have seen that the King has appointed you Commissary of the Musters of these troops. I have spoken to Mr. Blathwait to send you copies of the letters, and orders he sent to you at Leith, and I have enclosed here the copies of mine. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 58.]

Nov. 15. Whitehall. Pass for Captain Arthur Keating to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 151.]

Nov. 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. Recommending Mr. Clarke for an entering clerk's place in the Alienation Office. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 188.]

Nov. 16. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Bowyer. I received your letter and I take this opportunity to do you a service. I am sorry for the occasion you have to make your excuse, but the King is pleased to accept of it, being satisfied that you will not be wanting in any duty you can pay him. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 16. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Richard Swan to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 7]; for Mr. Susannett to go to Hull; and for Jean Rodolph May, a Swiss, and François de Visel, a French protestant, recommended by Lord Lexington, to embark at Chester, or elsewhere, for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 151.]

Nov. 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord Chief Justice of Common Pleas. I formerly sent you a bond for the appearance of Mr. Charles Orby. He having satisfied the obligation of it, I ask you to deliver it to him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 89.]

Aug. 18. Hampton Court. Warrant to affix the Great Seal to the grant of a baronetcy to John Ramsden of Byrom in the county of York, esquire, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 6.]

Nov. 18. Whitehall. Warrant for the apprehension of John Trinder and other disaffected persons, who lie concealed in the houses near Lincoln's Inn Fields, for using dangerous and seditious words, and for securing their papers. *Note.*—That this warrant was called in and another of the same date granted, with the alteration of "in the city and liberties of Westminster, and places adjacent," for "near Lincoln's Inn Fields." [*Ibid., p.* 9.]

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Nov. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Fairfax. I have received your letter with an account of several Danish ships putting into the Humber, which his Majesty has been acquainted with, and has given orders accordingly. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 189.]

Nov. 19. Holland House. The King to Sir James Leslie. Whereas we are informed by George, Viscount of Tarbet, "that Major Wishart did, in October last, forcibly enter his house of New Tarbet, and did break open doors, and, contrary to law, did garrison the said house in warlike manner, being a private dwelling-house, and that the same was done by order or concurrence of David Ross of Bellengown, as also that numbers of soldiers were quartered on the said Viscount's lands on free quarters, and that several abuses were committed by the soldiers on his tenants and inhabitants there, as the double of the petition given in to us, and herewith sent to you, doth bear [witness].

"These are desiring you to call before you at Inverness, or at some other place near these lands, where you think most expedient, the foresaid David Ross and Mr. Wishart, and others concerned as actors in what is thus represented, as also to call the said Viscount's friends, and servants, who were upon the place, and to examine the matter of fact of the said complaint, and put the same in writing, and to transmit the same to us, sealed and signed by you.

"And further we desire to know if the said house of Tarbet be a suitable place for a garrison, or if there be not more suitable places near adjacent, and if the retiring of our forces to that place did leave the country open to the rebels, and if there were garrisons at the other end of the shire, nearer the enemy, when they were robbing Killoden's [Culloden's] lands, and whether the marching of our forces towards these garrisons would not have covered that country from the rebels, which was left open to them by retiring into Tarbet: of all which we expect an account from you." [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 211.]

Nov. 19. Holland House. Warrant for a ratification of the place and office of one of the Clerks of Parliament and Session to James Justice, the younger, of Easter Creightown. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 212.]

Nov. 19. Holland House. Warrant to James Rotteirs, graver of the Mint in the Tower of London, for engraving and finishing all such puncheons, counter-puncheons, matrices, and dies for the silver of Scotland, as are desired by the General or Master of the Scotch mint. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 213.]

Nov. 19. Holland House. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, receivers and collectors general of their Majesties rents, &c., in Scotland, for payment of 200*l.* to Lord John Hamilton. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 213.]

Nov. 19. Holland House. Like warrant for payment of 200*l.* to William Denholme of Westsheills, master of the mint in Scotland, for defraying the cost of the instruments for the Scotch mint, made in the Tower of London. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 214.]

Nov. 19. Holland House. Commission to William Erskine to be Lieutenant-Governor of the Castle of Blackness, and lieutenant of the company of soldiers that shall happen to be in garrison there. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 214.]

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Nov. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to search for and apprehend John Keagle for uttering scandalous and seditious words against the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 9.]

Oct. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to search for and arrest John Baigo, suspected to be a popish priest. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 12.]

Nov. 19. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mons. James Arnaud to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 8]; for Mr. Henry Evans one of his Majesty's messengers, to go from Chester to Ireland; the like for him to go from London to Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake [*Ibid.*, *p.* 10]; and for Robert Tempest, captain in Sir Henry Bellasis' regiment, with ten men, to embark at Chester or thereabouts, for Carlingford. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 153.]

Nov. 20. Whitehall. Pass for the Sieur Du Clos Chretien, who is commanded, by Order of Council to leave the Kingdom, to pass from London and to embark at Dover or in the river, for Flanders. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 10.]

Nov. 21. London. ——— Lindsay to "Mr. Anderson at Andrew Young's, cook, against Black Fryar Wind." Lord Dover is landed in Ireland with money and ammunition but the Count "Loinnie" with the army are sailed only, by account of our last letters. We have great fears for ourselves at present; people begin to see themselves too far cheated, and since the news of Ireland, we have lost thousands of friends, nay, to that height that our Parliament men have said they saw no remedy but their calling the old gentlemen. Judge where we are when such things go about, nay, the people in the streets talk to such purposes.

Our convention for settling religion is likewise broken in pieces, for our presbyterian party hoped Dr. Tillotson would have been chosen Prolocutor, or their man, as they call him, but the vote being between him and Dr. Jean, the latter had it. Dr. Tillotson was one that would have granted us all we could have wished for, both in the alteration of the liturgies, prayers, ceremonies, and all; but this Jean is so stiff for the Church of England, that he will grant nothing. Dr. Fairfax made a proposal that some alteration might be made in the Lord's Prayer, as that the first part, viz. "Our Father which art in heaven," was not grammar, and, therefore ought to be "Our Father which is in heaven"; and that the petition "Lead us not into temptation," ought to be put out, as the making God the author of sin. This was not regarded, and Baxter, and all the other presbyterian good men, will, we are afraid, decline meeting any more, but we hope all is not true that is said to-day, as that the fleet from Spain is taken, and the crown and sceptre cut out of King William's picture at Guildhall. The Duke of Hamilton departs on Tuesday; he comes neither with commission or commissioners that I hear of, King William having last night told him he will neither have Commissioner or Parliament till he is at leisure to hold it himself. The confederates are in pieces and we know the Emperor's Ambassador is returned from London,

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without going to court, and that ours is stopped on his way to Vienna, except he come as from the Prince of Orange. Brandenburgh and Saxony are in pieces. *Endorsed*—Copy of a letter from Mr. Lindsay which was intercepted. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 48.]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord Chamberlain. I sent you, sometime since, the names of three persons for the messengers places, two of which were immediately admitted, but the third, Anthony de Veze, a Frenchman, was then employed abroad on his Majesty's service. Not having heard from him since, I desire you to confer the place upon John Gibbon. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 190.]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your account of one secured for carrying over wool, and I have sent your letter to the Commissioners of Customs. I am glad you observe the directions I sent you as to searching such persons for letters as have leave to go out of the country. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. The same to Sir George St. George. I have seen the letter you have written to Sir John Morgan and I find that other persons are of the same opinion as yourself, that Fuller, and the woman lately come from Dublin, have been sent over for evil purposes; for there are those in town, well acquainted with the character of the man, who believe his design is to load his vessel with salt, which is very scarce in Dublin. Therefore you have done well to stop the vessel and it is very fit to secure both these persons in order to use all fitting means to obtain the knowledge why they came over and perhaps this may be known if you examine the seaman who will not conceal it. There is mention made in the same letter of two persons sent thither by the Duke of Schomberg, one Johnson and a suspected abbess. I have not heard from the Duke concerning the former, but there is a report here that one of that name came from Dublin to the camp, where he was arrested as a spy; some letters, that were found on the other person, were sent me by the General and though I find grounds for suspicion, yet there is nothing clear in them, therefore get all the information you can and refer it to the civil magistrate if there be cause for their commitment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 191.]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Fotherby. "I desire you to send an account of all matters relating to the Danish troops. I have received the protest you made, and would know whether any of those things of which you complained were redressed, and what number of horse and foot were actually embarked, and what numbers died before you sailed, what number of ships sailed with you and how many are arrived, what number of horse and foot are landed at Hull, or thereabouts, and in what condition they are and you are to inform yourself, the best you can, how it came to pass that you steered a wrong course, and came to Hull, instead of Leith, and particularly enquire into the charter-parties of the hired ships of transport, because I have heard that in them, it was agreed they should come for England. I hope you will give me, speedily, a particular answer

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to these questions and inform me also of all other things that you think may be material." [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 59.]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. Licence for John Blandy, sheriff of Berkshire, to live out of the said county. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 16.]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. Recommendation by the King of Abraham Stanyan, a child from Winchester College, for election to New College, Oxford, at the next election. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 37.]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. Commission for Thomas Fotherby to be Deputy-Commissary General of the musters of the Danish forces. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 67.]

Nov. 21. Whitehall. Warrant for a pardon to Colonel William Beveridge for killing Thomas Danby, esquire. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 11.]

Nov. 21. Passes for Francis Hadson to go from Gravesend or Dover to Flanders; and for John Dungane to go from Gravesend or Dover to Flanders. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 10.]

Nov. 22. Hanover. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. It seems that the differences on account of the inheritance of Saxe Lawenburg and the winter quarters will be agreed upon. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 104.]

Nov. 22. Holland House. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, Receivers and Collectors-General of their Majesties' rents, etc., in Scotland, to pay 500*l.* to George, Lord Melville, Principal Secretary of State for Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 215.]

Nov. 22. Holland House. Like warrant to pay 100*l.* to David Nairne. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 215.]

Nov. 22. Whitehall. Certificate that Alexander Stanhope, esquire, envoy-extraordinary to the Court of Spain, took his leave and kissed his Majesty's hand on the previous day. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 28.]

Nov. 22. Whitehall. Warrant to search the house of ——— Pownds, deceased, near St. Andrew's, Holborn, for arms, and if any be found to bring them and the person in charge of them to the Earl of Shrewsbury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 11.]

Nov. 22. Whitehall. Pass to Jan Verhoock and Pieter Pel, cavaliers, and James Pakott, to go from Harwich or Gravesend to Holland. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Sneyd. I have received your letter desiring I would engage myself on behalf of the burgesses and lessees who claim under the new charter and am sorry I cannot comply with your request; it being a matter of property and determinable at common law, I do not think it advisable to interpose in the matter. As a proof of my desire to serve you, I have put Mr. William Sneyd, your father, into the next commission of the peace for your county. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 192.]

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Nov. 23. Whitehall. The same to Duke of Bolton. I send you the copies of a letter and examination concerning one Hopkins, a collector of the revenue, in which you will find that Mr. Hastings, a justice of the peace for Hampshire, is reflected on, as if he had not taken due notice of the information. I believe you could find out the best means of making an enquiry into this matter whether the evidence were defective or the justice wanting in his duty. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 192.]

Nov. 23. Whitehall. The same to Sir George St. George. I answered your letter by the last post; I have only to add it will be considered at a committee whether it is necessary to send for Mrs. Baker, the quakeress, and Mr. Johnson; in the meantime you will retain them in custody. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Admiralty. I send you a copy of a letter of Mr. John Gale, giving an account of what he has done in execution of the directions I sent to him, and of the contract he has made with Rowland Jackson, master of the *Pilgrim*, that you may acquaint the said Mr. Gale how he may draw a bill for the payment of 38*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* mentioned in his letter. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 60.]

Nov. 23. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of James Burkett stating he was born in the Parish of St. Margaret, Westminster, that he was lame from birth, and is at present in distress. Prays for an almsman's place, on the first vacancy of one of the twelve almsmen of the Church of St. Peter, Westminster. Referred to the clerk of the signet to prepare a warrant accordingly. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 55.]

Nov. 23. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William, Bishop of St. Asaph, Lord Almoner. The petition states that Jasper Grant being in custody for conveying away a person beyond the seas, was admitted to bail by Judge Holloway, in Trinity term, 3 James II., John Whiteing, esquire, and Francis Bonny goldsmith, being his sureties in 1,000*l.* each. Grant was afterwards convicted and fled to Ireland, and was then in arms against the King. Bonny gave a bond to Whiteing in 2,000*l.* to indemnify him and afterwards committed suicide; as a *felo de se*, his personal estate, 6,000*l.*, became forfeited. The executors by undue means prevailed on the coroner to return *non compos mentis*, by which the petitioner, as Lord Almoner, is defeated of the King's right. Prays for a grant of the forfeitures and of the recognizance given by Grant, Whiteing and Bonny with all benefit therefrom. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 56.]

Nov. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend, at Chester, William Sitch, master of the *Blessing*, of Dublin, for holding correspondence with the King's enemies. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 153.]

Nov. 23. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of ——— Patrick, formerly servant to the Pope's nuncio, for high treason and levying war against their Majesties and the Government, and also to secure his papers. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 12.]

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Nov. 23. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for David Penkar (*sic*) to go with two horses from London to Portsmouth [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 12]; for Owen Taylour, and Christian Taylour his wife, with one child, to embark at Harwich or elsewhere for Holland; and for David Piker (*sic*) to go to Portsmouth and return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 153.]

Nov. 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Sydney. I am informed that on some of the messengers in searching for arms near Somerset House, obtained the assistance of the guard there, and that some of the arms found were forcibly carried away by the soldiers of your regiment. In particular, a case of pistols of value, and a sword were seized by Lieutenant Gostwick and a sergeant, who still retain them; besides this there were other miscarriages of which the bearer will acquaint you. I doubt not you will order the arms to be restored and give directions that both officers and soldiers keep within the bounds of their duty when they are called upon these occasions. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 193.]

Nov. 24. Passes for Jacques Mercier to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 10]; and for Jerome Wilke to go from hence to Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 497.]

Nov. 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir George St. George. This letter will be delivered to you by the messenger whom I have sent to Chester to bring up in custody the four persons I wrote to you about. I think there is no mistake in the names of the men, one of whom is a quaker lately arrived from Dublin, and the other the person sent to Chester by the Duke of Schomberg; the other two to be brought up are the gentlewoman sent back by the General and who came over with Mr. Fuller. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 193.]

Nov. 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Emanuel Wilkinson of Meedle (*sic*) in Shropshire praying leave to build a small cottage there on a piece of waste ground. He has the consent of the inhabitants and churchwardens, but is prevented from doing so by Francis Gasbrooke and Luke Poole, Roman catholics. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 167.]

Nov. 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Elizabeth Bosheire stating that as heir-at-law of Ann Borlace deceased, she is possessed of a small estate now claimed by Mary Portington a professed nun, under a pretended will devising to her the said estate which has thereby escheated to the Crown. Prays confirmation of same to her. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 209.]

Nov. 25. Whitehall. Warrant for a commission appointing William, Earl of Inchiquin, Governor of Jamaica, as Vice-Admiral of that island. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 24.]

Nov. 25. Whitehall. Warrant for the arrest of Abraham Fuller, Richard Johnson, Mary Baker and Ann Doran of Chester, on suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 13.]

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Nov. 25. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse to receive the body of Roger Tilley accused of high treason. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 14.]

Nov. 25. Whitehall. Passes for Mrs. Jean Farrers and Mary Fenettey to go from Dover to France; for Mr. Hugh McGill to go with his horses, servants, &c., from Chester, Whitehaven, or Liverpool to Ireland; and for Mr. William Batt and Mr. Moore to go with a coffin, &c., from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland and to return. [*Ibid., p.* 8.]

Nov. 26. Victualling Office. The Victuallers of the Navy to the Committee for Ireland. We hear from Mr. Addis of Plymouth that the ships that carried the last month's provisions for Ireland and which were despatched from hence the latter end of August are still at Plymouth for want of convoy and that the provisions by badness of the weather, the bread especially, are very much damaged. We have likewise shipped part of the provisions for the regiments now going to Nevis; the remainder is in people's hands which will not deliver it unless they have money paid them down. We beg you will write to the Lords of the Treasury that we may receive orders for payment of the same, that the ship may be despatched. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 49.]

Nov. 26. Address from the House of Commons to the King praying that Mr. John Shales, Commissary-General of the Provisions, may be forthwith taken into custody, and all his account, papers, and stores secured; and that a fit person or persons be put into his place, and that his Majesty will empower the Duke of Schomberg to do the same. [*Ibid., No.* 50.]

Nov. 26. Castle of Edinburgh. The examination of Archibald Cockburn, laird of Langton, the younger, before Lord Cardross and the master of Melville. States that he kept correspondence with persons in England, besides his father-in-law, in the name of William Anderson, his servant, and Katherine Brown, his lady's servant, but that he never treated of anything against the state, but only of what passed as common news; that he had a letter, the last post but one, and he thinks it was part of that letter he tore and endeavoured to burn in the Earl of Balcarres' chamber, when he was about to be searched. [*Ibid., No.* 51.]

Nov. 26. The like examination of William Anderson, servant to the Laird of Langton. He acknowledges that the letter directed to "Mr. Anderson, at Andrew Young's, over against Black Fryar Wynd,[1]" was directed to him to be delivered to Langton. He has frequently written letters direct to Sir George McKenzie. [*Ibid., No.* 51A.] *Appended—*

Examination of the Laird of Langton before the Council. The person that wrote the letters to him from London was David Lindsay "late servitor to the Earl of Melfort. The Laird desired the same David, before he went up out of Scotland" to give him account of what passed. All the news he wrote was of goods taken of Cardross and Kilmarnock's lands, of the loss sustained by Culloden and that by the damage done by the forces, corn was likely to be scarce and

(1) *Vide* under date of Nov. 21.

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dear. He has not written above three letters to David Lindsay and has not got above twelve letters from him. He directed his letters "For Mr. Jameson at 'the Seven Stars'" in Paternoster Row. Mr. Lindsay did not write to him anent Scotch people except that the Earl of Arran was liberated and was a very honest man and that Sir Robert Hamilton was to be bailed, and that he saw "all his friends well," by which he concludes that he means his father-in-law and Tarbet. Yesterday when he was in the castle there passed nothing amongst them but "ordinary discourse" and Sir William Campbell was there a considerable time. He knows of no one who keeps correspondence with the Highlands or with Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, 51A (i.)]

Nov. 26. Edinburgh. ——— to David Lindsay. This night young Langton has been examined before the Council upon a news-letter intercepted from London, and is committed to prison. It was written as from one that favoured the Government, but the disguise was found out; they who have kept this correspondence would do well to take notice, lest they be secured likewise: for it is thought advice is sent up concerning them. The letter is discovered to be from George's partner. I shall not name him because you cannot but guess. *Endorsed*—Copy of a letter directed to David Lindsay which was in ercepted. [*Ibid., No.* 52.]

Nov. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Sydney. His Majesty having seen the inclosed information against the Captain of Walmer Castle (which was given in by one of Dover of the same name) and believing that your lordship is best able to give him an account both of the accused and accuser commands me to send this paper to you for report. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 194.] *Enclosing:—*

Information by Robert Jacob against the Captain of Walmer Castle, as enclosed in the foregoing. Sir Abraham Jacob, Captain of Walmer Castle, near Deal, did, at a quarter-session for the county, sign an address promising to take the penal laws and test, and acted all along with Sir Edward Hales and took upon him the place of justice of the peace for the said county when most other gentlemen laid it down. He was much in the favour of late Lord Teynham, late Lord-Lieutenant of the county, and courted by him and designed to be a burgess for Dover. He told me several times that he would not take the oaths to this King and Queen, but would rather lose his Castle than do it, speaking much against the Government, saying that the States of Holland were weary of the Prince and that made them send him to England, and further said the Prince had wasted his estate, and upon my showing him the Prince's declaration he seemed much to dislike it and found great fault with the words "We" and "Our," saying it looked too much king-like. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 26. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. By the last post I received the enclosed letter with a duplicate of the Poll Bill for the county of Anglesey which you know better how to dispose of than I do [*Ibid., p.* 195.]

Nov. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Fotherby. The King commands me to tell you that he has appointed the bearer, Mr. Butts, to assist

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you as may be necessary for his service, both in the march of the Danish forces and in the embarkation for Ireland. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 60.]

Nov. 26. Hanover. Mons. de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Continental news. I am much obliged for what you have written me on the subject of the English Church. I have read it to several persons here who have expressed satisfaction at "le terme de reformation," of which all the gazettes are full. It has confirmed what I have always told them, and above all, the Duchess, who has often spoken to me about it. I have always regarded what the English Church is now doing towards the nonconformists more as the result of true Christian charity, which tolerates the weakness of its brethren, than as any token of blemish in its own belief. There are few foreigners who have laboured more than I, to instruct themselves in the differences which have parted the English Church and the nonconformists; and for that reason, I impute all the wrong to the latter, who refuse to submit to an established discipline and who join a society that they themselves avow is pure. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 108.]

Nov. 26. Kensington. Warrant for a grant of authority to Henry, Bishop of London, president of this present Convocation for the province of Canterbury (upon the suspension of the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury) during the present Parliament now assembled, and in his absence to such other bishop as shall be appointed president thereof, and to the rest of the bishops of the same province, and to all deans of cathedral churches, archdeacons, chapters, and colleges, and the whole clergy of every several diocese within the said province to confer, from time to time during the present Parliament upon such matters as we from time to time shall propose, or cause to be proposed, by the said Lord Bishop of London, or other president of the said convocation, concerning alterations and amendments of the liturgy and canons, and orders, ordinances and constitutions for the reformation of ecclesiastical courts, for the removing of scandalous ministers, for the reformation of manners, either in ministers or people, and for the examination of such persons as desire to be admitted into Holy Orders, and all such other matters as their Majesties shall think necessary and expedient for advancing of the honour and service of Almighty God, the good and quiet of the Church, and the better government thereof, with liberty and authority to draw out forms, rules, orders, ordinances, constitutions, and canons on such matters as to them shall seem necessary and expedient for the purposes above-mentioned, and to set them down in writing and, from time to time, to deliver them unto the King to the end that he, as occasion shall require, may thereupon have the advice of Parliament. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 38.]

Nov. 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Philip Dallows, one of the masters of the Green-glass Works, stating the masters and workmen employed in glass-making are almost ruined and destroyed, partly by the Act forbidding vintners to draw wine in bottles, partly by a proclamation in Scotland prohibiting bottles there, and partly for

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want of foreign trade. Petitioner has discovered a way of making "granado shells" of glass, cheaper, better for execution and lighter for carriage than iron ones. He has also found a way of making glass bottles sealed, quarts or pints, or any other exact size. Prays to be appointed glassmaker to the King and Royal Family, and for a grant of a patent for making "granado shells" of glass and for making marked glass bottles for taverns, in case an Act for their use be obtained. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 57.]

Nov. 26 Pass to Mr. Joachem Sprong to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book*, 5, *p.* 13]; for Francis Crofts and Leonard Frankling, two young men, to embark at Dover or thereabouts for Flanders; for Jacob Robertson and Andries Willemson, two Dutchmen, to go to Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 153]; and for the ship *Francis and Samuel*, of London, Elihu Robinson, commander, to sail from London to Jamaica. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 24.]

Nov. 27. Whitehall. Pass for the Swedish ship *Nostiern*, Livert Erickson, commander, to go from England to France and return to Sweden with a cargo of wine, salt, brandy and fruit. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 36, *p.* 17.]

Nov. 27. Whitehall. The like passes for the *Fortune*, Claes Brower, commander; the *Carolus*, Jan Janson Lampage, commander; the *Prince Carl*, Jan Heydes, commander; the *Blew Lyon*, Albert Gossus, commander [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18]; the *Round Fish*, Henry Schultz, commander; and the *Peace*, Erick Lourenson, commander. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 19.]

Nov. 27. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Trelawny. The letter, whereof the inclosed is a copy, was given me by a member of the House of Commons, which I would not omit sending to you; for, though the writer has taken care to conceal his name, yet you will consider whether there be any ground for his scruples concerning Captain Caroll, if there be an officer of that name in your regiment. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 195.]

Nov. 27. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having an account that the vessel, commanded by Captain Townshend, is now arrived at Hoylake, I acquaint you that I have no further service for it, and therefore you may dispose of it as you think fit; only I desire you to give directions concerning the soldiers now on board belonging to the Guards. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 27. Whitehall. Pass for John and Thomas Bond to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 13.]

Nov. 28. Receipt by John Stephens, messenger, for certain arms left in the hands of the head bailiff of Westminster, by order of the Earl of Shrewsbury. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 53.]

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Nov. 28. Victualling Office. The Commissioners for Victualling the Navy to the Committee for Ireland. We pray your lordships will move the Lords of the Treasury for payment of the sum due for provisions for the soldiers in their transportation to Nevis, to enable us to despatch the ship hired to convey the soldiers. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 54.]

Nov. 28. Order by the Lords of the Council that the Commissioners of the Admiralty give notice in the Gazette, of the time they appoint for their convoys departing. [*Ibid., No.* 55.]

Nov. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Dover. Having received information that one Mary Conjet(?), commonly called "French Mary," whose husband formerly kept the post-house at Dover, is employed privately to convey disaffected persons into France, in order that they may go over to Ireland to the late King James, I have thought fit to inform you thereof; for though I do not attach sufficient importance to it to cause her to be apprehended I would have her narrowly watched. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 196.]

Nov. 28. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Mons La Brie, a Frenchman, who has done the King some service in a discovery he made, desiring a free passage to Jamaica, and being unable to pay his passage, I desire you to give orders to some of the captains, going on that voyage, to convey him there without charge. [*Ibid.*]

Nov. 28. London. Whitehall. News letter. The news from Edinburgh is that on the 20th inst. there arrived in Leith Road a Danish vessel having on board 70 foot soldiers, having been at sea 14 days. The commander appeared before the Council on the 21st; they have their quarters assigned them on the road towards Ireland. On Tuesday, Parliament ordered that a bill be brought in to attaint all persons who were in arms against the King and Queen since the 14th of February 1688[9] They also resolved that an address be presented to the King that Mr. John Shales, Commissary-General for the provisions in Ireland, be forthwith taken into custody, all his books of accounts secured, and a fit person put in his place Major Wildman was ordered to present the address.

Two Irish mails of the 18th and 21st inst. advise that our army is quartered, viz.:—the General's headquarters at Lisnagary, the rest at Monaghan, Dungan, Loughgall, Portadown, Coleraine, Antrim, Belfast, Carrickfergus, "the Ards, and Le Kells," and about three regiments in and about Newry. The Duke has published a proclamation setting the price on all sorts of provisions for the army, which is at so just a rate that the army may be very well supplied and the country people very well satisfied. There is little other news than the confirmation of the taking of Sligo and the great mortality that is in the late King's army, which is such that he has removed from Dublin to Kilkenny and has left the Duke of Berwick governor of that city, which is almost turned into a hospital. The Irish confess they have lost in their winter's camp 7,000 men, besides a great many sick. They say that Sarsfield has put into Sligo a regiment of horse, a regiment of dragoons and 3,000 foot. The

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horse are commanded by Col. Luttrell, the dragoons by one O'Neal, and the foot by one Browne, lately sent from Dublin to them.

Yesterday the Convocation met and settled the proxies, and then adjourned till Monday next, when it is believed the King will send them their commission. Yesterday Lord Preston, on his petition to the House of Lords, was discharged from the Tower, and proceedings against him at the King's Bench Bar are ordered to be stopped. The news from Scotland is that the Earl of Arran has arrived there and that the other lord that went from there for England is expected back in a few days. The Duke of Hamilton in his journey for Scotland was set upon by some highwaymen and robbed to the value of 2,000*l.* in money and jewels, in which was his "George." [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 78, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 357.]

Nov. 28. Whitehall. The King to the Commissioners for the Lieutenancy of the City of London. We learn that the militia of London is much indebted, and in arrear of their duty and other incidental expense, and consequently less able to serve us in the safeguard of our persons and in preserving peace. Our pleasure is that you impose, for one year from Lady Day next, so much money as you shall find needful for defraying the expenses of the said militia according to the rules laid down in the Act of 14 Charles II. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 34.]

Nov. 28. Whitehall. Certificate that Robert, Lord Lexington, late envoy-extraordinary to the Elector of Brandenburg, returned from his said employment on the 10th instant. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 154.]

Nov. 28. Whitehall. Warrant to search for and apprehend ——— Tileman and ——— Johnson accused of high treason in levying war against their Majesties. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 15.]

Nov. 28. Passes for Mr. Osbert Backler to go from Harwich to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 12]; for Mr. Jacob Balckhuyse to go to Harwich or from any part of the river to Holland; and for Mr. Siprant Obles to go from Harwich to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 14.]

Nov. 29. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Willoughby. His Majesty commands that Lord Brandon Gerard (*sic*) be constituted, under the Duchy seal, *Custos Rotulorum* for Lancashire; and being informed that the constableship of Liverpool Castle, the butlership of the county of Lancaster, and the stewardship of the Black Bomeshe, Tottington and Clitheroe, formerly granted to Caryll, Lord Viscount Molyneux, and William Molyneux, esq., are now void by the patentees neglecting to take the oath, his Majesty has directed a warrant to be prepared for a grant of them to Lord Brandon. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 197.]

Nov. 29. Hanover. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Nothing more has transpired as to the affair of Saxe Lawenburg or as to the winter quarters, but a renewing, in a few days, of their promise to give me in writing, the right to the succession of this family. News from Augsburg and Berlin. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 112.]

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Nov. 29. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse to receive the bodies of ——— Tileman and ——— Johnson, charged with high treason. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 16.]

Nov. 29. Whitehall. License for Robert Plot, Doctor of Laws, to have access to and search the records of the libraries of St. James, the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge and all registries. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

Nov. 29. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Hans Jurien, Benjamin Pompeys, Isaac Minder, Derk Boejeing, Adolfe Janse, Cornelis Dirckse, and Jacob Obbens to embark at Harwich or in the river for Holland; for Mr. Stephen Piper, Mr. Jan Cornelius and Mr. Francis Van Randick to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 14]; for Mrs. Churchill and her servant, John Wroth, about 15 years old, to go from London to Dover and there to embark for France; for Mr. George Rattray and his wife to go from London to Dover and there to embark for Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 15]; for John Harvey, esq., to go with servants and necessaries from London to Bury St. Edmunds in Suffolk and to return again; for Pieter Renssius and Henrie Sans to go from Harwich or any part of the river to France; and for Jan Peter Hoeck to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 16.]

Nov. 30. Paris. ——— Sheridan to ———. Col. Porter is arrived from Ireland being sent by his master, ambassador to the Pope. Lord Melfort's express had not got into Ireland when he left that Kingdom; his friends desire to have them both joined in the embassy, but whether that will be or no is uncertain, there being many here that wish that lord very ill. The news he brings is, that the King's army is very strong, 25,000 in the field, still observing Schomberg's motions; that he has 15,000 more in the garrisons; that all things are exceedingly plentiful in his camp, and very cheap; that if any forces are sent from England to Munster or any part of Ireland, except Ulster, they will infallibly be cut off at landing, as Schomberg had been if the King had expected him, which made him be then unprovided. Schomberg has lost above 7,000 of his men, and daily more and more fortifies himself in his trenches; he has neither forage nor provisions, but what he gets from England, and it is believed if he continues in the camp this winter, he will kill all his men, and if he decamps, they will all be cut off.

All Ulster, except Londondery and Carrickfergus, is burnt and the plague still rages. Charlemont holds for the King and [the inhabitants] think themselves in no danger of being taken, yet all Connaught, as well as Leinster and Munster (where all the leading protestants are imprisoned and the lesser sort turned out of the garrisons) is entirely the King's, Sligo having been lately retaken by Sarsfield and in it your friend Col. Russell and about 400 horse made prisoners, of whose party Sarsfield killed 800 foot and 125 horse. It is here approved for certain that there are already arrived at Belle Isle 30 Algerines who are to prey this winter upon all the King of France's enemies, and to have the liberty of parts in Ireland as well as in his own dominions; if so, I fear England and Holland will

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suffer vastly in their trade, which will not well agree with the great taxes the war will oblige them to pay.

I presume from the printed votes, that the lords in the Tower, may be visited by their friends. I pray, therefore, you would present my humble service to Lord Petre, and tell him I am much grieved he could not get his liberty upon bail. His friends here have an account, that none of his fellow prisoners behaved themselves so bravely as he, less could not be expected from his courage and his wit. They do not at all apprehend his new commitment or [think] an impeachment can do him more hurt than the continuing longer his restraint. His life is secured by the King's pardon for the change of his religion. A law can do no hurt that was made *in terrorem*, and on which yet never any man was prosecuted, which will not now be attempted, at least to death, considering that the Emperor and Catholic Allies are made believe the quarrel is not religion, and that the Spanish Ambassador has certainly written, as well to Vienna as Madrid, that no Roman Catholic, as such, was touched or molested since the change. I pray, as soon as possible, let me know from you how this noble lord enjoys his health, and everything else you can learn concerning him. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 56.]

Nov. 30. Paris. The same to ———. I had sooner acknowledged the favour of yours, but that for some time we understood here the posts were stopped on your side. It is no news to tell you that Lord Melfort, after he was reported to succeed Lord Waldegrave, designed for Montpelier in order to benefit his health, and is gone to Rome as ambassador to his Holiness; he has sent one towards Ireland for credentials, but we now hear Col. Porter is arrived at Brest with intention to go to Rome on the same errand, so that here it is variously reported what will be the issue of this affair. Some will have it, that, for accommodation, both must be joined in the same embassy, but this will take up much time and perhaps double the charge. England weakens itself to the joy of France, without hurting its great monarch; in my opinion, if there were no other reason for it than that English understanding may be a reproach as well as hitherto, Irish understanding. I am extremely grieved my friends in the Tower could not have the benefit of the law. The printed votes of the Commons show their zeal against Popery, but surely the King's pardon must secure all the prisoners concerned from suffering. As the law stands nothing but an Act of Parliament can make any of the prisoners suffer for what was done twelve months before this time, and I hope none of my friends will want courage. Pray advise Mr. P. to comfort those that are weakest and need [comfort]. You will hear very surprising news before long. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 57.]

Nov. 30. Warrant for the appointment of Lancelot Stepney as consul in the city and port of Oporto in Portugal. *Copy.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 58.]

Nov. 30. Warrant for the appointment of Robert Gislingham, as consul-general in the Kingdom of Portugal (the city and port of Oporto excepted), and also in the Islands of the Azores, Madeira, Porto Sancto, the Algarves and frontier towns of Barbary; he to make some allowance for the support of the minister at Lisbon. *Copy.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 59.]

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Nov. 30. "Our Court at Dublin." King James II. to Sir Donald McDonel of Slate. The proofs which at this time our subjects give us of their loyalty and zeal for our service, are always extremely acceptable to us, but we cannot but have a particular resentment of those which we receive from you, at a time when the malice of our enemies has so far prevailed against us. "We cannot sufficiently express how much we are afflicted at the news of the Viscount Dundee's death, and next the loss of so brave a man, what is sinseable to us is the opportunity we lose by it of rewarding his services by putting personal marks of our favour upon him; but since we cannot do that, we will largely gratify his family when it shall please God to put it in our power to do justice to merit." What he had so happily begun we urged him to finish, since, "no less than the preservation of the hereditary succession of our Crown is at stake." What we chiefly recommend you is that you support yourselves some time longer; for nothing would gratify our enemies more than to see you afraid of continuing in a posture of defence, "which is the only thing they apprehend finding you in, because of the many forces sent into the kingdom by the usurper to invade us."

We could not sooner spare the succour we destined for your assistance; but "God Almighty having made it His own work to destroy and confound the army that was landed upon us, we have resolved to send our right trusty and entirely beloved natural son, the Duke of Berwick to your aid as soon as the season will permit the shipping of any number of horse." Meanwhile, we will send the Earl of Seaforth to head his friends and followers, "and the success we hope for from their and your endeavours shall be acceptable to us, and we shall show you our gratitude [not only] by protecting you in your religion, laws, and liberties, as we have already promised, but, by rewarding your, and each man's merit in particular, out of such forfeitures as shall come to us by the unnatural rebellion of the rest of our subjects there. We must above all things recommend unto you a thorough union amongst yourselves, and a due obedience to your superior officers, and that you look with the greatest indignation upon any body that, under any pretence whatever, shall go about to disunite you." The bearer will give you a full account of our force and the present condition of the enemy, "which is such as will put our affairs here soon out of all doubt." *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 31.]

Nov. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Ormond. I have received your letter concerning the office of Marshal of the Admiralty; I have made enquiry at the Admiralty and they have already disposed of it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 197.]

Nov. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Fotherby. "I have received yours of the 26th instant, with the copies of several charter-parties inclosed, I presume the Lords of the Treasury have given such effectual orders for the supply to you of money, that you will be sufficiently enabled to carry on his Majesty's service with satisfaction, also to the Danes, and I would not have the difficulties you have met with discourage you from proceeding in the discharge of that duty to which the King has authorized you by his commission, and I do not doubt but you

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will perform it with that respect to the Danish officers, and that fidelity to the King, that neither they shall have any just cause of complaint against you, nor his Majesty, of taxing you with any neglect of the trust reposed in you. You have reason to be very well satisfied that his Majesty has hitherto approved your services. I shall acquaint the Lords of the Treasury with the charge you have been at in the exchange of the guineas, and doubt not but that they will allow it." [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 6.]

Nov. 30. Whitehall. The same to Dr. Georges. "I have received yours, dated the 8th instant, from Dundalk, with some papers enclosed, but it came not to my hands till the 28th, and I think it has not only been detained, but opened too, for the wax with which it was sealed is of two different sorts, and the seal itself is a coat of arms, but not yours; and therefore I desire you to let me know by your next what seal you used, or rather send the impression of it that I may enquire into this abuse, if it be one. I thank you for the account you give me of the army, and your proceedings in Ireland, and for the suggestions you offer to remedy the misfortunes under which you have laboured and to prevent the like for the future; for the present I can only tell you that I am sure all possible care will be taken that will contribute to a speedy and happy success of this war." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 62.]

Nov. 30. Holland House. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Whereas by our letter dated the 21st September last, we authorised you to adjourn our Parliament of Scotland to the 20th of December next, we hereby authorise you to issue forth a proclamation in our name, ordering a continuance of the adjournment of our said Parliament to the 1st day of March next ensuing the date of these presents; and if we shall find it necessary that our said Parliament meet sooner we will signify the same by a proclamation to anticipate that diet. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 216.]

Nov. 30. Holland House. The same to the same. Whereas we understand by a letter from the Earl of Crawford, in your name, directed to our Secretary that the Inland Excise of several shires of Scotland, being at present in your hands, you did by a proclamation appoint the same to be rouped and farmed upon the 29th of October last, and in regard the Commissioners of our Treasury were not named, you did adjourn the roup till the 21st of this instant, and now to prevent the prejudice that might arise to us and the discouragement of those who might desire to farm our excise, you have proceeded to roup the same, we do approve your service and care in this matter and recommend you to proceed in the roup till such time as we shall constitute our Treasury. And we authorise you to conclude and agree for the Excise of the shires which are in our hands, at the best rates you can, and to sign and deliver tacks or contracts thereanent, in our name, which shall be as valid and sufficient as if they were signed under our royal hand or by the Lords Commissioners of our Treasury and Exchequer. We do likewise recommend to your care to take what course the law does allow for securing the estates of such as are or have been in rebellion, without taking the benefit of our gracious

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indemnity, for the better subsistence of our troops in defence of our authority and good subjects. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 216.]

Nov. 30. Holland House. Commission to Lieut.-Col. James Murray to be their Majesties' lieutenant-governor of the Castle of Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 217.]

Nov. 30. Whitehall. Allowance of Mr. Scott's bill. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 157.]

Nov. 30. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Nathaniel Herbert upon suspicion of dangerous practices against the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 17.]

Nov. 30. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Gilbert Crawford to go from London to Dover, thence to Holland, and to return with Mr. Richard Savage [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 14]; for Mrs. Wortley and Mrs. Mary Lovelace, her maidservant, to go from Dover to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 15]; for Mr. John Cassen, native of Liège, to go with Mark Bowen, his servant, from Dover to France [*Ibid.*, *p.* 16]; for Thomas Miller, a poor Scotchman, to embark at Harwich, or thereabouts, for Holland; for Daniel Butts to go to Hull; and for Catherine Patternut, aged 57, and her daughter, aged 18, to embark at Harwich or elsewhere for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 154.]

[Nov.] Appointment of John Sharp, S.T.P., one of the chaplains in ordinary, to the deanery of Christ Church, Canterbury, void by the resignation of Dr. John Tillotson. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom., Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 60.]

Nov. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles White stating that, upon news of his Majesty's landing in England, he went with two men and three horses to join the Earl of Devonshire, and maintained those men and horses during the whole expedition at his own charges. He, being a husbandman, prays to have the place of Surveyor of the Woods in Sherwood Forest, now vacant. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 55.]

Nov. Whitehall. Warrant to Charles Godolphin, esquire, James Hoare, esquire, Comptroller of the Mint, and Andrew Corbett, esquire, Commissioners for making farthings and halfpence of tin. You are, from time to time, to cause all such blank pieces of tin with a stud of copper wire in the centre of them for making farthings and halfpence, on our own account, to be of the same weight as the first tin farthings and halfpence were, at 20*d.* the pound weight, with the remedy of two or three farthing pieces in each pound weight, avoidupois. They are to be marked on the edges or rounds of the pieces with these words *Nummorum Famulus* and the year of our Lord, "with such other marks as you shall think fit," and to be coined with their Majesties' portraits or effigies, with these words *Gulielmus et Maria*, on the one side of them, and the figure of a woman sitting on a globe, as was on the first tin farthings and halfpence, with the word *Britannia* on the other side. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 19.]

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Nov. Warrant to seize as a prize, the ship *Tobias*, of Hamburg, taken by Capt. Charles Causey, commander of the *Charles*, of Dover. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 152.]

Dec. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend David Lindsay, accused of holding correspondence with the King's enemies, and of carrying on dangerous practices against the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 17.]

Dec. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Holmes, appointing him captain of the castle of Hurst in the county of Southampton. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 12.]

[Dec. 1.] Hampton Court. Commission to Henry de Cordon de Monguion to be captain of the company in Colonel Francis de Cambon's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 12.]

Dec. 1. Whitehall. Commission to Henry Lumley to take brevet rank as a colonel of horse. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 5.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. Warrant for grant to Peter Maurice, clerk, of the deanery of Londonderry, void by the apostacy of Peter Manby, the late dean. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 44.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mayor of Southampton. Señor Navarro, secretary to His Excellency the Spanish Ambassador, having occasion to go to Yarmouth in the Isle of Wight, in case he should not get an early opportunity to go there, I desire you will assist him to hire a vessel, which he will pay for. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 197.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. The same to the same. Having received information from one John Morgan of what he heard from three or four innkeepers, concerning Mr. Fisher, of Blundell Hall, having spoken very seditious and scandalous words against their Majesties, I have sent for him here in custody ; and, to save the time and expense of the witnesses coming here, I have directed Morgan, and the messenger to call on you to give you an account who these men are, that you may take their depositions and transmit them to me. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 198.]

Dec 2. Whitehall. The same to the Duke of Bolton. I send you a second letter which complains of the liberty, taken by some in Hampshire, to vilify the Government, and the indifference displayed to discountenance such practices. I suppose this is of the same nature as the former advice I sent you, but it may be the more easily inquired of as it is signed. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 199.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. Warrant directed to Col. Beaumont to admit Richard Marsh as gunner of Dover Castle in the room of Thomas Hopkins. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 68.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. Licence for John Chaplin, sheriff of Lincolnshire, to live out of the said county. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 16.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. Licence for William Whally, sheriff of Leicestershire, to live out of the said county. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 16.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend John Fisher, of Blundell Hall, gentleman, for high misdemeanors. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 18.]

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Dec. 2. Whitehall. Warrant for Thomas Ferneley to be Secretary of the Leeward Carribee Islands. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 24.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Epaphroditus Houghton of the office of Provost-Marshal-General of the Islands of St. Christopher, Nevis, Montserrat, and Antigua. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 155.]

Dec. 2. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent to John Loftingh, free denizen of England, for an invention of an engine for extinguishing fires. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 156.]

Dec. 2. Passes for Mr. Aubin and one servant to go to Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake, with soldiers' coats for Ireland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 15]; for Jacob Van Velde and Henry Van Leeuwen, soldiers of the Dutch guard, to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 17]; and for James Dabicie, a poor soldier, to go from London to Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

Dec. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. I enclose you part of Mr. Russell's letter of the 1st inst. which concerns an officer of the Customs at Deal. I wish there were no more such on the Kentish coast who wilfully or negligently give opportunities for conveying intelligence and persons beyond the sea, which might be prevented in a great measure if the collectors and other officers in the ports would do their duty; and I hope the Lords of the Treasury will direct a greater diligence in the future. I lately wrote to the mayor of Dover to search all passengers for letters, either going to or coming from France, which he acquainted the Custom House officers with, for their assistance, but they insist on receiving orders only from their superiors in London. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 198.]

Dec. 3. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have taken care that the officers of the port shall have directions from their superiors to be diligent in their search after letters, if such are found concealed upon any person, you may open them and any of importance, which concern the Government, send here. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 199.]

Dec. 3. London. News letter. We have an account from Ireland that our army being arrived in winter quarters, several of the English have conspired to join King James, which upon being discovered, many officers in Sir T[homas L[evingston's] regiment are secured. Indeed, necessity, more than dislike to our service, may induce them to desert, for we have but mean quarters and bad neighbours of the popish army which was advanced within ten miles of some of our quarters which puts us under great consternation here, for we much doubt our ability to oppose them having lost much by sickness, and our English I fear, are under great suspicion of their prudent general. There is much talk here of preparations in France and drawings to Brest and Dunkirk, and of their fleet being out. The Danes must march for Scotland; all is likely to be wrong there. Our men shipped three weeks ago at Plymouth under Trelawny have not yet sailed; where they are designed for, is a secret. I fear we have lost the hopes we had of reducing Ireland. Every day this winter we hear of the death

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of officers, but the soldiers are rather more hardy or more careful of themselves. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 79, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 359.]

Dec. 3. Whitehall. Two passes and a post-warrant for George Collins, to embark at Harwich or elsewhere for Holland and go thence by land to Stockholm. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 155.]

Dec. 4. Allowance of Mr. Scott's bill for stationery. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 507.]

Dec. 4. Pass to Dorothy Van Wisthouse to go from Dover to France; for Julian Banfield and Ellen Drake to go from Plymouth to the Isle of Jersey; for Mr. Robert Ross to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; and for Mr. Robert Ross to go with two horses from London to Chester. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 20.]

Dec. 4. Hanover. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. This is the dead time of the year for news. Every prince here keeps more troops than they can possibly maintain, and the Emperor takes the greatest share of the winter quarters to himself, so that if there be not some early regulations, it will be more difficult to agree next year. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 116.]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Austen. Upon Mr. Fisher being brought up, I find the information against him is different from that given at first. I think it will be sufficient for him to enter into a recognizance, to answer what is now alleged against him at the next assizes or sessions to be held in Kent. That done, he may be discharged from custody. I also send you a copy of Morgan's information; but as it is only hearsay, I desire you will inquire if anyone can corroborate it. He has brought also a petition of Robert Alsop which I send you. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 200.]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Sandwich. I have seen the deposition against Greenaway, sent to Mr. Thurbane, who has likewise acquainted me with the behaviour of one Philips. You will take care that they be both proceeded against. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The vicarage of Wrockwardine in the county of Salop, is void by the death, or removal, of the late incumbent and is in your gift. Mr. Paul Brodhurst, who has a small living of about 25*l. per annum*, near that place, which he is willing to resign, has been recommended to me as a person of ability fit to supply the said vicarage, and I desire to move you for a grant thereof to him. I make this request the rather as it lies in my manor. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. I have an account from the Wardrobe, that the presents for the three Governments of Algiers, Tunis, and Tripoli, to be sent by Captain Killigrew, are now ready; you are to give orders for some vessel to carry them to Spithead. [*Ibid., p.* 201.]

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Dec. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Attorney-General. I have received, in a messenger's hands, one Mr. David Lindsay. Lord Melville, has had information from the Council in Scotland of his holding correspondence with the King's enemies, which they undertake to prove in Scotland, where Lord Melville would have sent him. I desire your opinion if this can legally be done. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 201.]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Hythe. I have an account that two gentlewomen are expected to land from France at or near your town, and it is for their Majesties' service that they be secured; their names are supposed to be Kirk and Pecock; the one, fair, about 25 years of age; the other, is of a brown complexion and of low stature. You must use all diligence to secure them till further order, together with their letters, and the vessel must also be seized. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. The same to Sir Charles Hedges. I send you some letters and informations from Mr. Goodwin, his Majesty's consul at Tunis, against Captain Hobman, who, commanding a ship in the Mediterranean, seems to have dealt very unfairly with those that trusted him, whereby the consul, and merchants, trading there, are exposed to great hardship. I have proposed to the merchants who appear in this business, to give here personal proof against him; but this they cannot do at present. They press that he may give security to appear, and I desire your opinion if there be ground for this, and what proceedings ought to be taken in this case for vindicating the justice of the nation and for the security of so many innocent persons that they may not be made liable for the crimes of others. [*Ibid., p.* 202.]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. The same to Major Wildman. Amongst other things, mentioned in some letters that went down by the last post to Dover, and were thence transmitted up to me, which letters were written by a person lately banished this kingdom for being a spy, were the addresses; "Mons. Vanden Perer ancien echevin de la ville de Bruges, a Bruges; pour fair tenir a Monsr. Duclou" and "Mrs. Ellen, in Cockpitt Alley, near Drury Lane, London." I send you these so that whenever you find any letters so directed you may know how to act. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 5. London. News Letter. Letters from France arrived yesterday, confirm the news that the French King has begun to melt down all great vessels of silver and has sent to most of the nobility to follow his example. That the Marshal D'Humières sent a gentleman to the Marquis de Castanaga to let him know that if he does not recall his "placate" for the burning all French merchandise, he will burn all that shall pass from Spain thither, which threat has had no other effect than the sending of his messenger back with the answer that he would exactly perform his edict. That a detachment of the garrison of Condé had fallen upon a convoy of the confederates, taken it and cut to pieces all who guarded it. The French King still remains very ill with the gout.

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Letters from Chester of the 2nd instant say that Major-General Scravenmoer with several vessels with men, provisions, and clothes, lay at Hoylake waiting for a fair wind to go to Ireland to our army, and with him go several men of war. Letters from Edinburgh of the 28th ultimo say that the Highlanders had fallen upon a market town in Dumbartonshire and taken away a great number of cattle; to prevent which, for the future, the Council have desired Major-General Mackay to send some horse and foot into that shire to curb and stop their further descent. From Scotland we are told that a gentleman who came from Ireland reports that the late King had called a general council of all his officers in Dublin, where it was moved that those protestants who were in prison, charged with holding correspondence with the Duke of Schomberg, should be executed, but it being put to the vote was not carried; that our army since going into winter quarters are much refreshed; and that a considerable quantity of meat is ordered by the Council in Scotland for a supply of the garrison of Inverness.

At a council of war held at Spithead upon the captain, eldest lieutenant, carpenter and gunner of the *St. David*, for the loss of the said ship, the captain was cleared, but the rest sentenced to lose their pay, to lie in prison, and be dismissed the service for ever. In answer to an address presented by the Speaker, the King said that he would carry on the war in Ireland with vigour. This day the Lord Mayor issued a precept to all the wards requiring an account of all inmates that are papists. Admiral Russell has been at sea some days, intending to go to Holland, but has been forced back to the North Foreland by stress of weather. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 80, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 361.]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Dr. Carswell stating that the church of Remenham, Berkshire is void in consequence of simony committed; though, by concealment, the said rectory is usurped and possessed by the present incumbent. Prays for a gift of the said rectory. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 57.]

Dec. 5. Kesington. Warrant for a gift of the office of keeper of the Council Chamber and furnisher of several things for the use of the Old and New Treasury and Exchequer Chambers in Scotland, to Archibald Mc Euan. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 218.]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. Order to Robert, Lord Lucas, chief governor of the Tower, not to allow any horses, except the mill horses employed in the Mint, to remain in the Tower, as the danger of fire, from the fodder required for them, is so great considering the proximity of the royal magazine and stores. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 21.]

Dec. 5. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Joseph Tewer to go from London to Newport Salop; for Katherine Blanders to go from Chester to Ireland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 20]; and for the ship, *Jungfer Elizabeth*, at the request of the King of Denmark's Secretary residing here, to go to Bordeaux, to load wine and paper, for the use of the King of Denmark's family. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 157.]

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Dec. 6. Lisburn.

The Duke of Schomberg to the King. The arrival of the Danish troops here at this season will increase the difficulties of finding sufficient to support the army. Sir John Lanier, who has come from the side of Ballyshannon says there is no forage there and that the roads are so bad that horses have difficulty in going along them. The King had proposed to keep the Danish cavalry laid by until the spring, but Schomberg suggests that two or three months would be gained by leaving them near Chester. He has caused [the forage of] the county of Antrim to be preserved for this cavalry because it [the county] is the nearest and best for their disembarkation.

I believe, Sir, that your suggestion is good to send the Danish infantry to join Trelawny's which is to pass over with Berkeley's squadron. The enemy will be greatly embarrassed when they see a *corps d'armée* at Cork or at Kinsale. You say that it is long since you have heard of me; eight days before leaving Dundalk, I sent you a long letter by John Davids, but I learn that he died at Chester. Nothing has happened since but an affair at Newry where I left Ingoldsby's regiment. Major Boislott (Boisseleau), who commands the enemy at Ardee, attacked at daybreak the bridge at Newry with 1,500 men, but was repulsed with a loss of officers and men; our loss was slight. I have sent there 150 men of Meloniere's regiment and 25 horse.

King James seeks by every possible means to learn what passes here. He has sent back a French lieutenant who had been taken prisoner near Dundalk. The lieutenant was questioned very fully as to the state of the newly raised English regiments. He says that "les grands coleges" in Dublin are full of the sick, that he found many such in returning by Drogheda, that Lord Dover had arrived there but that his ship, laden with powder and arms, had been taken, that Mons. de Lausun was to have come there with 100 guards and some volunteers, the Queen's, Seaux, and Grandmont's regiments, that Mr. Rose had returned to France, and that possibly Tyrconnel had not found the war to his liking.

I have executed your orders to arrest Shales. Van Humery has arrived in his place and says that Mr. Blackweth [Blathwait?] sent him off in great haste: he does not carry your orders to have Harboard's money. Van Humery is incapable of such a charge. It is said that Robisson [Robinson] is to be sent; he will find plenty to do if he does not have help in attending to the transports, the artillery, the hospital, and the payment of the officers whose accounts are not yet settled. Harboard says he is going to England to obtain money and to give in his accounts. I shall find myself very much embarrassed by the troops who are accustomed to be paid a week in advance.

The regiments are very much diminished here on account of the little attention paid to them by the colonels. Roscommon is dead at Chester and his regiment is in a very bad condition and Lord Lisburn's is yet worse; these two regiments ought to be incorporated in a third and no further employment given to Lisburn; his is a dangerous tongue in the army.

"My lords Irlandois" propose making recruits from the men of this country. Neither Harboard nor I approve of this scheme, since we find that those so raised, desert.

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There has been slight loss in the cavalry, either of men or horses. Arrangements for supplying these losses. Hopes the King will arrange for the payment of the officers, many of whom make excuses for returning to England. Refers to his own health and his visit to London to take advice. Hopes he may be able to return to Ireland before the following May.

December 7.—Since writing the foregoing, Mons de Scravenmoer has arrived, bearing your letter, in which you look after establishing our winter quarters. Suggestions thereupon. I notice also by your letter, that Mons. de Scravenmoer ought not to be commanded by Mr. Douglas whom I have not found very capable, but as he [Douglas ?] is very proud perhaps he would not like to serve in this army where he is not popular with the English. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 32.]

Dec. 6. Notes in the King's handwriting, on military matters, chiefly relating to the forces in Ireland. The notes are arranged under six heads, (1) As to recruits. (2) As to clothing. (3) Artillery. (4) Provisions—"for cheese and brandy [and] salt that may be good, no other provisions necessarie." (5) Abuses. (6) Pay. [*Ibid., No.* 33.]

Dec. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Joseph Williamson. I have occasion to make use of the Treaty concluded in 1661, between King Charles II. and Frederick William, Elector of Brandenburg, which I suppose is kept on the paper of files. I desire that you will have it searched for, and sent to my office. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 203.]

Dec. 6. Passes for Katherine Paternot and her daughter to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 20]; and for Mr. Eli Brun to go from Dover to Flanders. [*Ibid., p.* 21.]

Dec. 7. York. Ferdinand William, Duke of Wurtemberg, to the King. Has received the King's orders and given instructions for their being put in force. The mustering will commence immediately and the cavalry advance towards this place. I hope you will permit three weeks' rest for these troops in order to allow the cavalry, and the sick amongst the infantry, time to recover; after which the road to Edinburgh shall be immediately taken. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 34.]

Dec. 7. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King, in favour of Mr. Bayerlay, whose colonel, Colonel Huet, died at Chester. Bayerlay is lieut.-colonel of the regiment and fit for the colonelcy. Mr. Harboard desires to go to England. He leaves both me and the transport men without money. Humery is unfit for the business. [*Ibid*, *No.* 35.]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Norfolk. I send you a letter which I just now received from Mons. Bordieu, a French minister, who fears that a quarrel is probable amongst the Swiss officers here in town, which you will interpose to prevent; the rather because Mons. Bastide, one of the parties principally concerned, is a person of reputation and worth. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 203.]

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Dec. 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Earl of Bath. By the King's direction I send you the petition of the Commissioners for Sick and Wounded, to whom the officers taken by the *St. Albans* have been particularly recommended that they should be treated with some distinction, according to their former employments and quality; and on this application his Majesty is pleased that St. Nicholas Island be appointed for their prison. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 203.]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. The same to Sir George St. George. I have your account of the seizure of "two Irish concealed papists." Next week a Commission will meet about prisoners, when it will be considered what is to be done with these and others. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 206.]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. The Commissioners for Prisoners having represented to his Majesty the great need they have for convenient places in which to keep and secure prisoners until exchanged, and that Dover Castle might easily be made one place of use for that purpose, an estimate has been made by the Officers of the Ordnance, amounting to 132*l.* 14*s.* It is his Majesty's pleasure that I should transmit the same to you, and that you should enable them to proceed with the work. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 7. London. News letter. On Thursday a bill for the better securing of protestant subjects in Ireland against the illegal proceedings of the Irish now in rebellion was read a first time and the second reading ordered. There was read a petition of Sir Richard Haddock, Sir John Parsons, Anthony Sturt, and Nicholas Fenn, late Victuallers of the Navy, in the custody of the serjeant-at-arms, praying to be admitted to bail, whereupon it was ordered that each of them should be bound with two sureties. Yesterday a petition of the Company of Weavers of London and Canterbury desiring to be heard against the bill for enjoining the wearing of woollen during certain months in the year was read and ordered to lie upon the table to be considered when the bill is read a second time. The Solicitor General reports from the Committee of the whole House the amendments made in the bill for granting an aid to their Majesties of 2*s.* in the pound for one year; several of the amendments were agreed to.

Yesterday the Convocation met again at Westminster to whom the Committee brought the form of an address which being approved of by the lower house was sent up to the Bishops for their concurrence. Lord Berkeley continues at Plymouth. It is said some of the soldiers are to disembark and his lordship is to stand off with the fleet to the coast of France to prevent the French coming out of Brest. A French man of war has run aground by Mounts Bay and the men having got on shore stand upon their defence to make terms with the country. Our merchants have received an account that the Turks have beheaded the French Consul at Scanderoon, and that the Dey of Algiers has infringed the articles of peace with the French, having made divers considerable prizes upon them.

Letters from Chester say that General Scravenmoer and others are gone to Ireland, and some who have returned give an account that several of the late King's forces were moving, it is thought to relieve Charlemont, blocked up by ours, and that the Duke of Schomberg has

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detached some horse and foot to support the latter. Admiral Russell, who some days ago sailed for Holland, is driven back by contrary winds. The Irish gentlemen have answered the proposals lately delivered to them for their returning into Ireland, and have presented to the Council new ones of their own.

Letters from Scotland say that Col. Windam, late deputy governor of the Castle of Edinburgh when it was under the command of the Duke of Gordon, has endeavoured to make his escape out of the castle where he has been kept prisoner ever since the surrender of it, but was discovered and taken by the sentinel. The young Laird of Langton has been twice before the Privy Council before he could be prevailed upon to discover to whom the letter he had torn and burnt when he was first seized was directed. He is kept a close prisoner, for upon a strict search of the papers found about the prison, several letters were taken which are of considerable moment towards the whole affair. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter* 3, *No.* 81, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 363.]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. The King to Francis Fulford, high sheriff of Devonshire, granting him leave to remain and dwell out of that county during his term of office. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 36, *and H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 23.]

Dec. 7. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of the office of their Majesties' Justice Clerk in Scotland to Sir George Campbell of Cesnock. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 220.]

Dec. 7. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 400*l.* to Sir George Campbell, in that office. [*Ibid., p.* 220.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Warrant for a gift of the office of their Majesties' first physician in Scotland to Sir Thomas Burnet. [*Ibid., p.* 221.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension to Sir Thomas Burnet, as their Majesty's first physician in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 222.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Warrant to William, Duke of Hamilton, Archibald, Earl of Argyll, and George, Earl of Sutherland, to be Lords Commissioners for keeping the Great Seal of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 223.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Blank warrant for a commission for a sheriff principal of the shire of East Lothian. [*Ibid., p.* 224.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of Judge of the High Court of Admiralty in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 225.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Warrant for a commission to William, Earl of Crawford, John, Earl of Cassillis, John, Earl of Tweeddale, David, Lord Ruthven, and Alexander, Master of Melville, to be Commissioners of their Majesties' Treasury in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 226.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Warrant to John, Lord Belhaven, Robert, Master of Burleigh, Sir Duncan Campbell, of Auchenbrek, Sir Thomas Burnet of Leys, and John Hay of Park, to be commissioners for discharging the place and office of Clerk of their Majesties' Registers and Rolls in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 230.]

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Dec. 7. Kensington. Warrant to John, Earl of Kintore, and Archibald, Earl of Forfar, to be Commissioners for keeping the Privy Seal of Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 231.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. A list of the persons whose names are to be inserted in the following Commissions which are to be granted by the King. For the Chancellary; William, Duke of Hamilton, Archibald, Earl of Argyll, and George, Earl of Sutherland. For the Privy Seal; John, Earl of Kintore, Archibald Earl of Forfar, and John, Lord Carmichael. For the Treasury; William, Earl of Crawford, John, Earl of Cassillis. John, Earl of Tweeddale, David, Lord Ruthven; Alexander, Master of Melville. For the Register; Robert, Master of Burleigh, Sir Thomas Burnet of Leys, John, Lord Belhaven, Sir Thomas Campbell, John Hay of Park, justice clerk, Sir George Campbell, knight marshal; Lord Inverurie; and Sir Archibald Murray. For the Justice Court; Sir Colin Campbell, of Abruchell, Sir John Lauder of Fountainhall, Mr. James Falconer, of Phesdo, Mr. James Hume of Crosrigg. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 232.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. A list of persons whose names are to be inserted in a commission to be granted by the King to the Lords of Exchequer in Scotland together with the Commissioners of the Treasury: Alexander, Earl of Eglinton, Robert, Earl of Lothian, Justice General, David Earl of Leven, John, Earl of Kintore, George, Lord Melville, Secretary, Henry Lord Cardross, General of the Mint, John, Lord Carmichael, Sir James Dalrymple of Stair, President of the Session, Sir John Dalrymple, Advocate, Sir John Campbell, of Cesnock, Justice Clerk, Robert, Master of Burleigh, Sir Colin Campbell, of Arbruchell, Sir John Lauder, of Fountainhall, William Anstruther, of that Ilk, Sir Archibald Murray, of Blackbarony, and Sir Archibald St. Clair of Stevenston. [*Ibid., p.* 233.]

Dec. 7. Kensington. Warrant for a commission for the Exchequer of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 233.]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. Commission for a Court of Loadmanage for the Cinque Ports. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 25.]

Dec. 7. Doctors' Commons. Sir Charles Hedges to [Lord Nottingham] concerning the Danish ship called the *Younger Tobias*, retaken from the French by the English. [*Ibid., p.* 27.]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. Warrant to the Keeper of the Gatehouse to bring up to Whitehall ——— Patrick for further examination touching certain discoveries he can make. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 21.]

Dec. 7. Pass to John Reynders, a Dutch soldier, to go from London or any part of the river or Harwich to Holland. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Charles, Earl of Monmouth, of the custody of the estate and person of Fulk Walwyn, an idiot. [*Ibid., p.* 22.]

Dec. 7. Whitehall. Warrant for the presentation of Henry Gibbins, clerk, to the living of Marsh Green in the county of Bucks. [*Ibid., p.* 23.]

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Dec. 7. Whitehall. Warrant for Edward Thompson, of Escrick, and John Ramsden, esquires, to be deputy-lieutenants of the East Riding of Yorkshire. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 25.]

Dec. 9. Westminster. Lord Melville to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I send you some depositions made in Scotland with the copy of a letter from Mr. Lindsay, and from me to him, intercepted, all which seem to prove a correspondence between the said Lindsay and some who are disaffected to their Majesties' interest, but Mr. Lindsay denies all. I desire your lordship will take advice how far he may be proceeded against. *Endorsement* by Sir George Treby that having perused the letters referred to, he finds they disclose a correspondence against the Government, for which the party, if Scottish born, may be sent into Scotland and tried there. And that the letter of 21 November contains matter of sedition and misdemeanour for which, if proved, the writer may be convicted on an indictment or information in England. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 61A.]

Dec. 9. Whitehall. Licence for John Jones, high sheriff of Merioneth, to live out of that county during his shrievalty. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 39.]

Dec. 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Foulks. The King, upon the recommendation of Mons. Ruvigny, having been moved on behalf of one John de Champagne, a French refugee, now serving as a cadet in your regiment, that he may be made an ensign, his Majesty directs me to receive a character of him from you, as to his merit and qualifications. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 206.]

Dec. 9. Whitehall. The same to the Dean of Canterbury. Sending him a letter, signed "J. G.," in which the writer "refers himself to you" for an attestation as to his credit. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 207.]

Dec. 9. Whitehall. Pass to Joan Cornelius Van Rhentemberg to go from Harwich to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 23.]

Dec. 10. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. I hope this will find Harboard, before he starts. Learning that the enemy had assembled 5,000 or 6,000 strong at Cavan, to attack our troops at Claunish (?), and Armagh, I shall go there tomorrow with some of the horse of my regiment and some dragoons. I am afraid that the country will yield little means of support. Lord Shrewsbury's letter directs me to give Grafton one of the regiments serving at Londonderry, or Enniskillen; only Weiss's is vacant, for which Lord Charlemont is applying to you; the lieutenant-colonel of it is his brother. I saw the regiments of Meath and Kingston mustered yesterday, in which were a great many Irish, taken during the last few days. All the colonels and superior officers have sent word to England, that most of their soldiers were dead; now they do not deny that many of their soldiers have rejoined their regiments. Amongst others, there is Lord Lisburn, who had stated that he had not 150 (?) soldiers left and now has 627. I do not think you will find the Irish recruits satisfactory. Kirke told me that the most part of these in his regiment had deserted on his arrival.

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I told you how Cromwell furnished himself with recruits; he drew a third or a fourth of the best and most disciplined regiments in England. It would do good to a battalion of our English guards if they could see "la guerre pendant une campaigne." Majors-General Kirke and Lanier complain of Mons. de Scravenmoer for saying he had order to command them: they hope that his command may be only of "les corps de éstrangers." Lanier and Kirke are his seniors in service, the former in France and the latter at Tangier. I hope Harboard will tell you of the trouble I have daily with the masters of the merchant ships and small war-ships. I am surprised at the Admiralty not sending a Commissioner here to put matters straight. Remarks on Harboard's proposed departure for England leaving the soldiers without money, and its ill effects.

Postscript. I have received a letter from Mons. de l'Estang, in which he tells me you have ordered him to send me six reformed officers, but he has not sent me an order for Harboard to pay them. Two are so old that they are fit to be sent back; the others are men of service. Some will be fit to put into the English regiments, and I have put in to these as many as the English colonels have asked me for. Complains of the condition of the arms supplied. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 36.]

Dec. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir James Long. I have received your letter enclosing a libel, which, I agree with you, is a circular paper, this not being the first time it has come to my hands, though I have been hitherto unable to discover the author or disperser of it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 207.]

Dec. 10. Whitehall. The same to Lord Lisburn. I have written, by this post, to the Duke of Schomberg, telling him that the King has given you leave to come to England. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 208.]

Dec. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Ellis, Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey. I am informed that there is a considerable quantity of lead lodged at Guernsey, in order to be transported into France, of which I think it is necessary to give you notice, and to desire you to use all possible diligence to prevent the carrying so useful a commodity, at this time, to his Majesty's enemies. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 63.]

Dec. 10. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King, having, some time since, given Lord Weymouth the place of *Custos Rotulorum* for the county of Wilts, and understanding now that his patent is not yet passed, I desire, in pursuance of his Majesty's commands, that you will forthwith give order for passing the grant to Lord Weymouth. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 10. Whitehall. Warrant for the apprehension of several dangerous and disaffected persons who meet and cabal at the houses of several persons in Westminster, who are papists, or reputed papists. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 25.]

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Dec. 10. Passes for Edward Jones to go from Chester, Hoylake, or Liverpool to Ireland; and for Matthew Betheridge, employed for the clothing and other necessaries for the army, to go from Chester to Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 25.]

Dec. 11. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse to deliver Roger Tilly to Capt. William Richardson, keeper of Newgate. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 26.]

Dec. 11. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to receive in custody Roger Tilley accused of high treason, from the keeper of the Gatehouse Westminster. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 11. Whitehall. Blank warrant for an arrest. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 455.]

Dec. 11. Post-warrants to Captain Francis Brathwait to go from London to North Wales and the north parts of England, with 3 horses [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 26]; for Mr. Croker to embark at Chester for Ireland; for Derrick Williamson to go to Harwich and embark for Holland; for Capt. John Macintosh and Ensign Auchmouty, of the Duke of Schomberg's regiment, to go by sea to Scotland; and for Capt. John Macintosh to go to Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 454.]

Dec. 12. Appointment of Epaphroditus Houghton, as Provost-Marshal General of the Islands of St. Christopher, Nevis, Montserrat, and Antigua. *Copy.* [*S.P. Dom. Will & Mary* 2, *No.* 61B.]

Dec. 12. The Hague. Joseph Zoby to the King, communicating to him what he considers a cheap and expeditious means of insuring the fall of France by an invasion of that country on the side of Spain; the King of Spain to supply horses, for which men might be sent from Holland (?). [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 37.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Haverfordwest. The Lords of the Council, who form a committee for prisoners, having had a list of those now in your goal before them, have ordered the oath of allegiance to be tendered to Robert and John Nelson, both having declared themselves Englishmen and protestants, which tender you, or some neighbouring justice of the peace, are desired to make. It appears also that Alexander Fitzgerald stands committed for speaking seditious words; it is ordered that he be prosecuted at the next quarter sessions of the peace, or at the next assizes, which I desire you will give notice of to the clerk of the peace. As to the rest of the prisoners, they are left to obtain their liberty by the usual methods. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 208.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. A letter similar to the foregoing. The Lords have ordered the oath of allegiance to be tendered unto Thomas Fitz-Gerald, late a dragoon in Colonel Butler's regiment, John Moxham, John Cary, servant to Captain Corbett,

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Edmund Cook, a goldsmith in Dublin, and Robert Cook, all returned as declaring themselves protestants. In case they take it they can be discharged. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 209.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Liverpool. In reply to your letter I can only tell you that I do not intend to oppose the legal proceedings of those who are commissioned by his Majesty, and wherein they think they have done their duty according to law. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 209.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. The same to Major Wildman. Having received an account, from a source so creditable that I believe it, that great abuses are daily practised at Dover, in suffering all manner of persons to pass and repass between that port and Calais, and having also a very bad character of the master of the packet boat "even to calling him a knave," who is a discharged postmaster, I give you notice of this, so that you take care to give speedy and necessary orders for preventing such abuses for the future. It is more advisable to stop that passage entirely than to have such great abuse made of it. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Russell. The usual presents, prepared for Algiers, Tunis and Tripoli, are thought fit by the Lords of the Admiralty to be sent on board the *Duke*, in the Downs, that being the ship that is to go on to the Mediterranean with Captain Killigrew, to whom I have sent the enclosed account of the several parcels, and to whom "designed," which are distinguished by their number. An account follows of the "bales" for Algiers, Tunis, and Tripoli. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 210.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. The same to Captain Killigrew. I have notice sent me from the Wardrobe that the presents for Barbary are all packed up, and the Admiralty has given orders for putting them on board the *Duke*, in the Downs. The papers I enclose will distinguish these bales and where each of them is to be disposed of. I suppose the consuls in each place can inform you how the distribution of these presents has been formerly made to the respective persons in power. [*Ibid.* *p.* 212.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. The King to the Bishop of London. In pursuance of the power which we have reserved by our letters patents under our Great Seal of England bearing date in November last past, we authorise and require you in our name to propose to the Convocation to take into their consideration the reformation of the calendar and the taking away the abuses relating to excommunication in the ecclesiastical courts. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 45.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. Licence for Martin Madin—who has lived in the Island of Nevis many years and borne arms in its defence, "but in regard to his country, being born an Irishman, was banished thence and forced "to quit his estate there"—to return to Barbadoes, Nevis, or any of the neighbouring islands, there to live and trade as formerly, upon giving security for his obedience to the Government. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 158.]

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Dec. 12. Whitehall. Licence for Francis Fulford, high sheriff of Devonshire, to live out of that county. *Vide under date 7th December.* [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 7.]

Dec. 12. Whitehall. Warrant directed to John Beaumont, lieutenant of Dover Castle, to swear Vincent Denne, sergeant-at-law, unto the office of steward of the Court of Chancery for the Cinque Ports. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 68.]

Dec. 12. Pass to William James for go from London to Exeter. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 27.]

Dec. $\frac{13}{14}$. Zell. Mons de la Roque to Mr. Warre. Dispute, as to the winter quarters between the troops of Lunenburg and Hesse. Claims to the Duchy of Luneburg. [*H.O. Regencies, p.* 120.]

Dec. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Gravesend. I have received several petitions from the four prisoners at Gravesend, the last of which I send you enclosed; they desire their discharge, or the means to subsist in prison, but the Lords of the Committee not having taken any resolution as to their liberty, I desire they may have the King's allowance for their support. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 212.]

Dec. 13. Regulations, submitted to the King, for the extraordinary allowances of ministers to be employed abroad. To ambassadors to Spain, France, and Holland, each 400*l.* a quarter; to Sweden and Denmark 300*l.* a quarter. To envoys or residents to the Empire, Spain, France, and Holland, each 150*l.* a quarter; to Sweden, Denmark, Venice, or Florence, 100*l.*; to Portugal, Savoy, Flanders, Hamburg, Ratisbon, Brandenburg, or Lunenburg, 75*l.* No other extraordinaries to be allowed, except for such expenses authorised by the King or for such expenses as shall appear absolutely necessary in case there shall not be time to receive the King's directions. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 72, *p.* 67, *and H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 40.]

Dec. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sidney Godolphin, esq., stating that the office of Auditor of Wales was held by patent from King Charles II. for life, by Sir William Godolphin. Sir William had, for many years past, intended to resign this patent to the petitioner, but was obstructed by a patent in reversion to Mr. Tudor, lately deceased, Sir William still being willing to surrender the patent, the petitioner prays for a grant of the office. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 58.]

Dec. 13. Passes for Mrs. Elizabeth Price, with Dorothy Morley and Frances Patrine to go from Dover to France [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 26]; for William Williams and John Robeyne to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; for Sander Hey and Mary Hey to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 27]; and for David Huelz and Peter Risteau, two poor French protestants, to embark at Chester for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 159.]

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Dec. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Knight. I have procured for your brother the King's allowance of his living out of his county. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 211.]

Dec. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Fotherby. "I have received your letter and must repeat to you the same thing which I have formerly writ to you, that the King thinks it necessary for his service that you should continue with the Danish forces during the time of their being in England, and until they shall be embarked for Ireland, in regard of your acquaintance and conversation among them, particularly from the beginning of the treaty until now, which renders you more capable of discharging this trust than another can be. His Majesty would therefore have you stay with them and execute the duty of your place until you shall see them embarked; and if you shall then be of the same mind to proceed no further, but to return hither, I will move the King to give you leave. I will speak concerning your money, but I hope you have written likewise to the Lords of the Treasury about it, at least you should do it now and observe it for a rule hereafter constantly to write to them of these matters, or to Mr. Blathwait, the consideration thereof belonging to them and not to me." [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 64.]

Dec. 14. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. I am commanded by his Majesty to signify to you his pleasure that you revoke the orders lately given to Vice-Admiral Killigrew to join my Lord Berkeley, and that you appoint some convoy with all speed for the ships and vessels laden with provisions and stores of war which are at Plymouth and are bound for Carrickfergus. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 65.]

Dec. 14. Holland House. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, desiring that Sir George Munroe be added to their number. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 236.]

Dec. 14. Holland House. The same to the same, adding Robert, Master of Burleigh to their number. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 237.]

Dec. 14. Holland House. The same to the same, adding Sir John Lauder of Fountainhall to their number. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 237.]

Dec. 14. Holland House. The same to the same, adding Sir Colin Campbell, of Arberuchill, to their number. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 238.]

Dec. 14. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 300*l.* sterling to Sir George Munroe. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 238.]

Dec. 14. Holland House. The King to the Earl of Sutherland, Lord Secretary Melville, and the Lord Advocate, authorising them to call before them Viscount Tarbet, late Lord Register, to depone that nothing is abstracted or withdrawn from the records. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 239.]

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Dec. 14. Holland House. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Concerning a recruit of 200 men, to be made to Sir David Collier's regiment. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 240.]

Dec. 14. Holland House. The same to the same, ordering a recruit to be made to Lieutenant-General James Douglas' regiment, of 500 men. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 14. Pass for William Churchman to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 27.]

Dec. 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Great Seal Upon the recommendation of Mr. George Wells, a member of Parliament, I wrote to you sometime since, on behalf of Mr. Broadhurst, for the vicarage of Wrockwardine, in Shropshire. I must confess he is an absolute stranger to me, and therefore seeing you have heard an ill character of him I am willing there should be nothing further done in it, and since you are pleased to say you will reserve that living for such person as I shall recommend, I will endeavour to propose one acceptable to you. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 214.]

Dec 15. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Colchester. I have received your letter, with a packet of letters from Holland, directed to Major Rolas, by which I see how careful the officers of the Customs are to obey their orders; though, in this case, it was not so necessary, seeing these letters are directed to his Majesty and other persons immediately employed in his service, upon whom there was no suspicion, nor upon the gentleman that brought them, who is an officer in the Dutch army. Therefore if his servant is detained in custody he ought to be set at liberty again. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 214.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. The same to the Attorney-General, desiring his opinion upon an enclosed petition; "whether these persons are fit objects for his Majesty's mercy." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 215.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Walker. The Lords of the Treasury, being desirous that the Act of Parliament for granting their Majesties an aid of 2*s.* in the pound which passed this day, should be printed with all expedition I am to command you attend the Attorney-General with it and to take directions as to the printing thereof. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. I have just received a letter from Mr. Harboard, by which he desires that the *Charles*, gally, may not be ordered to the West till the money intended for Ireland is ready to be transported. I have not had an opportunity since receiving his letter, to obtain his Majesty's directions, but I give you this information that you may receive the King's pleasure and give order herein. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. Licence for David Evans, high sheriff of Monmouthshire, to live out of the said county. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 17.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. Licence for Sir Wilfrid Lawson, high sheriff of Cumberland, to live out of that county. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 36.]

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Dec. 16. Whitehall. Licence for Richard Taylor, high sheriff of Nottinghamshire, to live out of that county during his shrievalty. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 37.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent to Philip Dallowe, one of the masters of the green glass works, for an invention in making grenade shells of glass. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 160.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. Warrant to pay to Simon de Brienne, house-keeper of the King's house at Kensington, 2*s.* 6*d.* a day for the wages of a man to look after the gates of the said house. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 161.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. Warrant to admit Philip Dallowe, one of the masters of the green glass works, as the King's glass maker in ordinary. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 162.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. Commission for Christopher Slinger, to be gunner of Arcliffe Fort in the room of Robert Daynes, deceased. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 69.]

Dec. 16. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Don Gaspar De Lerruz, one of the Spanish ambassador's gentlemen to go the Downs; for Alexander Sunderland, a poor soldier, to go from London to Scotland; and for Mr. Matthew Bell to go from Dover to Flanders and return. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 27.]

Dec. 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir George St. George. I have received both your letters and have written by this post, to the Mayor of Chester to deliver to you the arms lately taken. I have caused Fuller, and Mrs. Doran, to be examined particularly as to the two servants of the Earl of Clancarty, and they both own to being privy "to the tearing of that letter." The quaker seems liable to be suspected of it, and is certainly the most artful; he is drawing up a narrative of that and other things, he observed before he came away, and when that is finished this matter will be further considered. The Duke of Wurtemberg commands the Danish troops and marches with them, and being a person of authority and prudence will, I doubt not, receive information and keep them under discipline. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 216.]

Dec, 17. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Chester. I have received your letter, with an account of some arms seized, directed to Sir James Pooley. I am satisfied there is reason enough to believe that this letter was not misdirected; but the further prosecution of the matter I leave to the magistrates in the county. His Majesty is pleased that these arms should be lodged with Sir George St. George, till further order. You will let Mr. Parker know that the King is well satisfied with his behaviour in giving you an account of these things. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Fotherby. I have received yours of the 11th. As to the exceptions taken to Mr. Butt's power of acting, the King's intention was no other but that he should be assisting to you, the duty of the place requiring more than one person to discharge it; so that Mr. Butt is only in the nature of your deputy whom the King has thought fit to add, for the better carrying on in his service. I suppose therefore, no further difficulty

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will be made, since I cannot see any reason for it, he acting herein as your deputy by the King's special direction; but, if any scruple shall, however, be made, I will move the King that he may have some further authority. As to the oaths, the King is satisfied with what the Prince of Wurtemberg has done, but he expects that they would be taken by all the other Danish officers in like manner as they are taken by the English and all the foreigners in his service. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 65.]

Dec. 17. Zell. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Movement of troops on the continent. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 124.]

Dec. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain George Meese, stating that the lordship of Stanford Rivers in Essex was charged with 80*l.*, *per annum*, payable to Robert and Richard Petre. Such rent was paid till about Michaelmas 1678 when, on the conviction of these persons as being "in orders to the see of Rome," the rent became forfeited to the Crown and, in 1684, it was decreed, in the Exchequer, for his Majesty. Prays for a grant of the benefit of the said decree. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 59.]

Dec. 17. Whitehall. Allowance of Lord Lexington's extra expenses. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 159.]

Dec. 18. Lisburn. Major-General Scravenmoer to ————————. I returned last night from Monaghan, where I should have stayed longer had not the Duke [of Schomberg] sent thither Mr. Douglas to arrange matters generally and to purchase corn from Donegal. Condition of provisions. I pray you tell the King not to allow the Danish cavalry to come over before the spring, as it is impossible to support the cavalry already here. By the loss of Sligo, we have lost the means of providing for more than half our cavalry. Relations with Schomberg. You will be extremely surprised to learn that "Le Generall Major McCarthy," always supposed to be an honest man has, contrary to his word and writing, deserted. I think that too much liberty was allowed him by Schomberg: You see what value is to be placed on the word of the Irish! Two captains have gone with him. We endeavour to induce Schomberg to imprison the rest of the officers or to send them to Carrickfergus Castle; I do not know if he has given order for this. I am daily disappointed in receiving his promised instructions. Hopes that the King will give orders as well for the artillery as for the provisions, without which they cannot pass the defiles of Newry to come to Dundalk. Describes the condition of supplies and the prices to be paid for them. Mons. St. Sauveur, who distinguished himself at the siege of Sligo, tells me that Mons. de la Melonière wishes to make his major "qui est un fort miserable homme," his lieutenant-colonel, although St. Sauveur had received a previous promise of promotion; hopes the king will consider his disappointment. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 38.]

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Instructions to the Earl of Leven, Major-General Mackay, and Sir George Munroe concerning the forces.

(1.) You are to review and model the regiments commanded by the Earl of Argyll, the Earl of Angus, the Earl of Glencairne, the Lord Viscount of Kenmure, the Lord Strathnaver, and the Laird of Grant, and you are to form a regiment to be commanded by Richard Cunningham. Of the said seven regiments, three are to remain in that our ancient kingdom, and the other four are to be employed for our service in Ireland.

(2.) You are to appoint the above seven regiments to consist of 13 companies each, and 60 men in each company; one company of each regiment to be grenadiers.

(3.) For making up of the said regiments, you are to disband the three regiments of the Earl of Mar, Lord Blantyre, and Lord Bargeny.

(4.) You are to disband all independent companies, and such officers of them as are fit for our service you are to employ in stations proper for them as our service requires.

(5.) You are to appoint fit persons to be lieutenant-colonels, majors, and other inferior officers to the aforesaid seven regiments.

(6.) You are to employ what officers you judge fit for our service, that were in the three regiments which you are to disband, or in the independent companies.

(7.) You are to turn out of any of the regiments such officers as you think for unfit our service, and put others who are well qualified in their places.

(8.) You are, with all expedition, to transmit an account at what places it is absolutely necessary to keep garrisons for suppressing the rebels and what number of men will be required at each place.

(9.) For completing the above regiments, you are to take the men out of such garrisons as are not necessary to be kept up.

(10.) You are to form the soldiers of the three regiments which you are to reduce, into companies by themselves so far as they will go, and what officers you think fit to employ of the said three regiments, whether captains, lieutenants or ensigns, you are to allow to command, in their several stations, their own men that the soldiers may be better kept together.

(11.) Being informed that some regiments continue still in the places where they were raised, and may not be so fit there for our service, therefore you are to order such regiments to march to some other part of the country which you shall find convenient, and you are to order some of those men that came from Holland to march where they were, if thought necessary.

(12.) You are to model three troops of dragoons, each troop to consist of 50 men, and the Lord Cardross, to be colonel and captain of one troop, Robert Jackson to be lieutenant-colonel and captain of another troop, and Patrick Hume of Polwarth to be captain of the third troop, and —— Guthrie to be major without any troop.

(13.) You are to model three troops of horse, to be commanded by the Earl of Eglinton, the Master of Forbes, and Sir George Gordon of Edinglassy, each troop to consist of 50 troopers, if more troops cannot be conveniently be maintained.

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(14.) You are to appoint lieutenants and other inferior officers for the said troops of horse and dragoons.

(15.) You are to complete such regiments first as you think most proper for our service.

(16.) You are to transmit a list of such officers as you nominate to George, Lord Melville, our Secretary, that they may have their commissions accordingly. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 241.]

Dec. 18. Holland House. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. We received your letter giving an account of your care in settling the Inland Excise and of your endeavour to provide for our troops by securing the rebels' estates and preventing false musters: with all which we are well satisfied; but the condition of Scotland requiring more forces than there are at present funds for, it has been our care to keep your country as free from hardship as possible, notwithstanding the great charges we have been at in paying the army there, beyond the revenue of your kingdom, which was entirely applied for that use.

We are resolved to continue that supply towards your security and protection, if it be possible, till other ways be provided, and to have our troops effective, full in their number, and well provided with sufficient officers. We do therefore recommend to your care, to find out convenient and effectual methods for paying subsistence to three regiments of foot consisting of 13 companies, and each company of 60 men, out of which our garrisons are to be supplied; and 300 horse and 200 dragoons. And we will endeavour to make provision for what more foot are needful for our service there, out of some other fund. We have given commission to the Earl of Leven, Major-General Hugh Mackay, and Sir George Munroe for modelling all our standing forces there, so that sufficient men and skilful officers may be employed. We will order some frigates to cruise upon the west coast to prevent a correspondence with the rebels of Scotland and those of Ireland, and their joining with any from the Islands. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 242.]

Dec. 18. Holland House. The King to the Earl of Leven, Major-General MacKay and Sir George Munroe, concerning the remodelling of the forces in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 244.]

Dec. 18. Holland House. Warrant for a patent to Thomas Hamilton, "second lawful son" of the deceased Charles, Earl of Haddington, to be Earl of Haddington. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 245.]

Dec. 18. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 100*l.* to Sir John Lauder, of Fountainhall, one of the Lords of Session. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 152.]

Dec. 18. Holland House. Docquet of the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 100*l.* to Major George Arnott. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 252.]

Dec. 18. Holland House. Warrant for a ratification of the tack of the Post Office of Scotland, in favour of John Blair and William Menzies. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 253.]

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Dec. 18. Holland House. Commissions for Richard Cunningham, to be colonel of the new regiment of foot, to be modelled out of the present standing forces in Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 243]; for ——— Gordon of Edinglassy to be captain of the troop of horse formerly commanded by the Laird of Blair [*Ibid.*, *p.* 244]; for James, Earl of Drumlanrig to be colonel and captain of their Majesties' lifeguard of horse in Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 247]; for ——— Stuart, to be lieutenant-colonel and lieutenant of their Majesties' troop of lifeguard of horse in Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 248]; for Alexander Douglas, to be captain and quarter-master of the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 251]; and for Nathaniel Staffney, to be lieutenant of the Lord Cardross' own troop of dragoons in Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 253]; also blank commissions for various ranks of officers in their Majesties' troop of lifeguards in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 249 *and* 250.]

Dec. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Melville. Giving information that Captain Hugh Campbell, who had formerly a company of grenadiers, and who is represented as a dangerous person, and a spy, is now come or coming to England for ill purposes, so that order may be given to secure his arrest. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 217.]

Dec. 19. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Canterbury. I am informed that, about a fortnight since, a high misdemeanor was committed in your city by some persons who publicly called upon people to drink the late King's health, and to declare for him. I doubt not that you have taken care to prosecute the offenders "that those who are disaffected to the Government may not imagine they are at liberty to fly in the face of it." [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 19. Whitehall. The same to Sir William Rawlinson. Being appointed by their Majesties to be their *Custos Rotulorum* for the county of Hertford, and my commission for that purpose having sometime since passed the Great Seal, and now finding that the rolls within the liberty of St. Albans, are kept from me, under pretence that my commission does not extend within that liberty, and that there ought to be a *Custos* for that liberty by itself, I intreat you that a commission, under the Great Seal, may be passed to me to be *Custos Rotulorum* for that liberty of St. Alban's. "This letter was prepared by Mr. Foulk, and brought to the office by Sir Henry Capel." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 218.]

Dec. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Treasury. Having received a letter from Colonel Fairfax, concerning such matters as are under your care, I herewith send you a copy of it. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 66.]

Dec. 19. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Fairfax. Acknowledging his letter of the 16th instant, the matter of which will be brought before the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 19. Whitehall. Warrant for grant to Jonathan Blagrave, clerk, one of the King's chaplains, of a canonry or prebend in the cathedral church of Worcester, void by the death of Dr. Joseph Crowther. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 46.]

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Dec. 19. Whitehall. Warrant for the presentation of Francis Carswell, D.D., to the rectory of Remenham, in the county of Berks, and diocese of Salisbury, void by simony. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 46.]

Dec. 19. Passes for Anthony Stoffelse to go from London and embark at Harwich for Holland and return; for Charles Biet to go from London to Dover and embark for Flanders and return [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 28]; and for Catherine Williamson and her two sons to embark at Harwich, or thereabouts, for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 163.]

Dec. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Beaumont. The enclosed petition having been presented to his Majesty, he directs it to be transmitted to you that you may give an account of the matter, and why the petitioner was removed from his appointment. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 218.]

Dec. 20. Zell. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Thanking him for a letter received. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 128.]

Nov. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for Matthew Clarkson to be Secretary of the Colony of New York in America. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 24.]

Dec. 20. Whitehall. Pass to Gerret Allreghts to embark at Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 28.]

Dec. 20. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Harris, the King's engraver, to alter the broad seals for the counties of Carnarvon, Merioneth, and Anglesea by taking out the inscription of *Jacobus II. Dei Gra. Mag. Brit. Fran. et Hib. Rex, Fidei Defensor, etc.*, and instead thereof to engrave *Gulielmus III. et Maria II. Dei Gra. Mag. Brit. Fran. et Hib. Rex et Regina, Fidei Defensores, etc.*, on the one side, and on the other side to engrave the arms of Nassau on an escutcheon of pretence in the middle of the royal arms. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

Dec. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Hythe. I sent you, some time since, an account of some persons expected to land in your parts. Not having heard in answer, fears the letter miscarried, and desires intelligence whether any such persons have arrived. All other suspected persons, going to France or coming here, are to be secured. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 217.]

Dec. 21. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Liverpool. I have received your letter with an enclosed paper, which seems to be part of a cypher for a secret correspondence, and therefore you have done well to oblige this person to answer for it at the sessions. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 218.]

Dec. 21. Whitehall. Licence for John Lemott Honywood, high sheriff of Essex, to live out of that county during his shrievalty. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 37.]

Dec. 21. Instructions for Capt. Lawrence Wright commander of the squadron consisting of the *Mary*, *Foresight*, *Tiger*, prize, *Bristol*, *Hampshire*, *Assistance*, *Antelope*, *Jersey*, *Guernsey*, *Swan*, *St. Paul*, *Richard and John*, and *Quaker Knight*, designed for the West

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Indies. You are to take on board at Plymouth the Duke of Bolton's regiment of foot, and to proceed to Barbadoes taking under your protection all merchant ships bound your way, belonging to the King or his allies. Being arrived at Barbadoes you are to consult with the Governor or Commander-in-Chief and the Council, as to the best way of securing the English plantations and for recovering such as shall be taken by the French. You are to stay at Barbadoes only to take on board such men and provisions as the Governor and Council shall think fit. If, on the way to Barbadoes you meet the enemy, you are to engage him; and if you take any prizes they are to be brought to Barbadoes.

After leaving Barbadoes, you are to proceed to the "Leeward Caribbee Islands." If you see good occasion to attack the enemy at Martinique, or elsewhere, you are to do so. Upon your arrival at the Leeward Islands you are to place yourself under the directions of Col. Codrington, Captain-General, and Governor-in-chief of all the Caribbee Islands lying to the leeward of Guadaloupe. You are to attend the councils of war and to have vote and precedency next after the Governor. In case, on your arrival, the Leeward Islands shall be in the hands of the French, and you shall not think it requisite to remain there, or to attempt anything against the enemy, you are to proceed without delay to Barbadoes and advise there with the Governor and Council. In default of orders, you are to return to England, whilst you shall have sufficient provisions for the voyage.

When you are out of the channel, you are to put the men to short allowance of victuals either of 5 to 4, or 6 to 4 men's allowance, assuring the seamen that they shall be paid for the same; and when you arrive at any place where the men may have refreshment you are to repay the men some part, at least, of their short allowance at the usual rate. You are to take especial care to keep good discipline and to have frequent musters. You are to appoint officers to vacancies that may occur, preferring to all others, if equally deserving, such as were employed in the King's service last year and who shall go as volunteers in your squadron. You shall have power, upon urgent occasions, to seize merchant ships for the King's service, and to protect vessels belonging to subjects of the States General. In case of your death or disability by sickness, Captain Daniel Jones, commander of the *Foresight*, and in case of his failure, Captain James Barber, commander of the *Tiger* prize, shall take command of the squadron. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 31.]

Dec. 21. Whitehall. Warrant to search for a trunk belonging to Samuel Bright, a popish priest, suspected to contain treasonable papers. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 28.]

Dec. 22. Towcester. Dr. John Wallis to the Earl of Nottingham. I sent by the last post save one deciphered letters of Mons. De Bethune and Mons. De Gravel jointly to Mons. de Croisy. I now send one of Mons. De Bethune alone to the same person. I am very ready to serve his Majesty the best I can, gratis, and to lay by all my own affairs, as I have done this half year, to attend this service. I have been indisposed as to my health

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all this winter, my eyesight fails me so that I must be forced to quit this service. I have had assistance from my son who with some directions from me could pretty well perform it. I have lost the sight of one eye in the service already this winter. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 62.]

Dec. 23. Information of Thomas James, of the parish of Stanton, in the county of Gloucester, gentleman, taken before Sir Roger Hill and Nicholas Salter, justices of the peace, that suspecting that his eldest son, Thomas James, an attorney-at-law in Clements Inn, had been seduced by some who were enemies to King William, he went to London and examined his son, who confessed that there was a plot against his Majesty and that he knew several persons who were concerned in the confederacy. *Seals of arms.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 63.]

Dec. 23. Passes for Jannetie Boitel to go from Harwich or any part of the Thames to Holland; for Albrecht Henrickse Laris to go from Harwich or any part of the Thames to Holland; for Madame Deboydres and her son, 4 years old, Margaret Johnson, Nicholas Debord, and Mons. Devoes, her servants, to go from Dover into France. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 29.]

Dec. 24. Report by Lord Ranelagh as to money paid to Mons. Vander Esch for use of the Dutch forces. He has also paid by the King's command 10,000*l.* to Major-General Mackay; 10,000*l.* to the Earl of Portland, 1,140*l.* to "Mr. Speaker," 6,000*l*, to Mr. Isaac, 1,000*l.* to Mons. Gulstein, and 700*l.* to Lord Dartmouth. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 39.]

Dec. 24. Lisburn. Major-General Scravenmoer to ———. Acknowledges his letter of the 1st inst. and thanks him for interceding successfully with the King on his behalf. My previous letters will have told you of the wretched condition of the troops here and I have sent you the regulations I have made to remedy it. By the copy here enclosed from Mr. Douglas you will see the state of affairs in Clonish[?]. As soon as the frost goes, I shall continue my journey to Londonderry; at present it is impossible to travel on account of the slippery state of the roads and, in returning, I hope to visit the rest of the country around Strangford and learn the state of everything. That done, I hope the King will allow me to return to London to take order concerning my affairs and to send my wife back to Holland. There is a rumour, which I do not believe, that the enemy has sent six regiments to Dundalk designing to attack Newry. The Duke has no intercourse with the enemy's army and we know nothing of what is passing there; I am a mere cypher. I have hired as many horses as I could to carry provisions to Armagh for the transport, for the horses were not fit for the work. I am told that through Harboard's, parsimony and avarice, the greatest part of the regiments of Londonderry has deserted (quitté) for he has only given it two months pay and only threepence a day, and the cavalry eightpence. Everybody is against him; for it is four months since the officers have touched a penny; there are also desertions from the regiments of Kirke, Stuart

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and Hanmer. The clerks lend money, taking five or six *per cent.* interest. *Postscript.* Three days ago the Duke told me he would send money by Colonel Wolseley, but it has not yet arrived. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 40.]

Dec. 24. Zell. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Thanking him for letters and papers received. Is sending two barrels of wild boar as a present to the King. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 132.]

Dec. 24. London. News letter. The merchants of this city attended his Majesty who declared that all the ships now ready should go their several voyages with the convoy of the Queen of Spain which will consist of 57 men of war; the fleet of merchantmen are 400, the richest that ever left the nation. Letters from Plymouth of the 20th say that the *John of Jersey* from Jersey has arrived there with 8 English masters of ships who were prisoners at St. Malo. Forty privateers were ready to sail from St. Malo to Ireland when the wind permitted. There are in that port 200 sail of English and Dutch prizes. An express arrived at Plymouth on the 20th for Lord Berkeley who is cruising with his squadron. At Portsmouth they are fitting out cables again to try if they can weigh the *St. David.* Letters from Scotland say that Edinburgh is now to have a standing garrison of 160 soldiers, a governor, lieutenants and two ensigns; their regiments are to march to Loughlake (?) to reduce that country to obedience. Sir Robert Holmes, governor of the Isle of Wight, on his way to London received an order to return to his government. Mons. De Lavere (?) was seized in Somerset House and is now in custody; he is suspected of returning money by way of France to the late King. Col. Sanky(?) and Lieut.-Colonel Pack, of Col. Beaumont's regiment, are dead in Ireland. It is said the Duke of Ormond and several other noblemen, knights, and gentlemen are resolved to go to Ireland, their presence being desired by the protestants there. It is confirmed that the Pope will not interfere in the affair of the late King. Resolved that the House be called over tomorrow fortnight, and that the names of those who shall not then attend, shall be printed so that the nation may know those who neglect their duty. The King has given his assent to certain bills. *The rest of the news contained in this letter appears in Luttrell's Diary.* [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 82, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 367.]

Dec. 24. Pass for Edmund Norton to go from the Thames to Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 29.]

Dec. 24. Whitehall. Warrant to bring up from Beaconsfield, Bucks, Thomas James, gentleman, suspected of dangerous practices against the Government. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 30.]

Dec. 24. Holland House. Warrant for a ratification and new gift of the office of one of the Commissaries of Edinburgh, to Mr. James Elphinstone. [*S.P., Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 257.]

Dec. 24. Holland House. A like warrant for Mr. Hugh Dalrymple. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 258.]

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Dec. 24. Holland House. Warrant for a ratification and new gift of the office of conjunct-commissary of Aberdeen, for Mr. James Scougall. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book, p.* 259.]

Dec. 24. Holland House. Warrant for a gift of the office of master of work, overseer, and director general of all their Majesties' buildings, in Scotland, to Sir Archibald Murray, of Blackbarony. [*Ibid., p.* 260.]

Dec. 24. Holland House. Commissions for ——— Moncrief, to be captain of a company of foot in the Earl of Leven's regiment; for James Orrock to be captain of a company in Richard Cunningham's regiment [*Ibid., p.* 267]; commission to John Montgomery to be captain of a company in the same regiment [*Ibid., p.* 268]; for ———, Stewart to be major of the same regiment of foot [*Ibid., p.* 269]; and for Isaac Degrahave to be surgeon of their Majesties' troop of "lifeguard of horse" in Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 270]; also blank commissions for various ranks of officers in the Earl of Angus' regiment. [*Ibid., pp.* 261–265 *and* 269.]

Dec. 25. Anonymous letter to King William believed to be from Mr. [afterwards Duke of] Wharton in which the King is reproached of ingratitude to the whigs. *Printed in full by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 41.]

Dec. 25. Pass to Alexander Innes to go from London to Scotland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 29.]

Dec. 25. Whitehall. Warrant for Sir John Trevor to be *Custos Rotulorum* of the county of Flint. [*Ibid., p.* 25.]

Dec. 25. Whitehall. Licence to Robert King, one of the King's musicians, to set up "a concert of music" and to have the sole control thereof; to this, none shall force their way in, without paying such prices as shall be set down, and no person shall attempt rudely or by force to enter in or abide there during the time of performing the said music. All officers, civil and military, are required to be aiding and assisting herein. [*Ibid., p.* 31.]

Dec. 26. Lisburn. Sir John Topham to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] Pursuant to his Majesty's commands, I seized all Commissary Shale's papers and books and perused them in the presence of his son and another gentleman. I found no book since 1687 nor any paper relating to his commission from his Majesty except one written by William Brew. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 18.]

Dec. 26. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. After having done everything possible to avoid the inconveniences into which we are fallen during the past campaign, through lack of carriage to carry the provisions with the army, I send you a proposition to convey 100,000 *lbs.* of bread by means of the "petits charrettes du pays." I have agreed with the undertakers that they should commission some of their friends in London to answer the objections which the Committee of Ireland will make, or to conclude with them, so that no time be lost. Further as to transport arrangements.

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I never saw so many bad officers as there are in the artillery; this may arise from Goulon's want of application, for he understands making mines and the use of powder, but that is all; the only man here who has given me relief is Commissary Holloway whom I have made controller in the place of Clarke, who is just dead. I do not know whom you will send in the place of Goulon, unless you know of some one in Holland or in Germany. I mentioned in one of my despatches, one named La Motte who has seen service at the siege of Mayence and was promoted by the Duke of Zell. A note of what will be needed for the next campaign will be presented to you by Glaum, whom you have ordered me to send to you. Preparations have also been made for attacking Charlemont, which place troubles us much, but that attack will be deferred for the present. I believe that recruiting would be better done in England. Refers to the measures adopted by Cromwell in the matter of recruiting.

It is reported in England that the plague is in Ireland which makes many of the men newly raised in England desert. The regiments that come from Scotland also need recruits as they come here very weak. The Irish colonels incline to men of their own country; because, having them, they can draw greater profit from their regiments. The regiments of Lisburn, Sanky, Roscommon, Drogheda, and Bellasis are very weak. I have been obliged to withdraw the two last from Armach [Armagh?] there not being 300 men in the two, to send them beyond Carrickfergus near certain islands by which the enemy's officers pass into Scotland, to rejoin those who yet remain in the Highlands. Recounts an instance, told him by Count Schomberg's, servant who had come from Scotland, of assistance being brought to the enemy in Scotland. I believe that, with these two regiments, [the Earl of Drogheda's and Bellasis'] we can hinder this commerce. If Drogheda's regiment is broken up, he will be importuned thereby, he has lost the little he had here, and has a wife and family in London.

We have examined the state of the cavalry in the presence of Scravenmoer, Lanier and Kirke; the officers take no care of their troopers, nor of obliging them to attend to their horses. Van Humery is preparing a statement as to our needs in regard to grain, biscuits, and hay. State of the country. The people will want bread in the spring unless the merchants are allowed to carry grain, bread and hay duty free, not only here, but also in the north, both for the people and soldiers on the side of Beleek and Ballyshannon.

The officers are also negligent in the care of the soldiers' arms, and many of them have gone into this kingdom without a tent, taking those given to them for the use of the soldiers. More tents are needed. As I was never in an army in which are so many new and lazy officers, you will believe that all this causes me much trouble; if all were cashiered that deserve it, few would remain. More care should be had by the merchant vessels at Hoylake, in the embarkation of soldiers. The Admiralty officials should also look to the small war-ships, [the captains of which] make continual excuses for not going to sea. There is need of officers of justice to repress disorders among the people who are lazy and live only by pillage.

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The protestant ministers do not apply themselves to their duty, whilst the Romish priests are active and exhort people to give their lives for the Church of Rome. The zeal of the Irish will cool a little this spring, so many on the enemy's side having died from the fatigues of the last campaign. The officers of our army press for leave of absence. There is no time to be lost in recruiting, especially for the infantry. It will be time enough to recruit the cavalry at the end of April, and it can be done, also, from that of Denmark. Harboard will give you an account of the state of the regiments of Londonderry and Enniskillen. Remarks on their pay. There was much luck in the Enniskillens' victory. When I sent them towards Sligo the affair failed.

Harboard has gone, and left us without money and in great confusion; he promises to send money from Chester. He has not paid the officers' arrears and so they excuse themselves [from action]. I spare your money, but Harboard will not part with what is justly due, which causes confusion. The Commissaries here are agents for the English regiments, and work in the interests of the colonels. Remarks on Kirke's irregularities in keeping his accounts. You should consider the question of the value of money here. Harboard profits by the difference, which, with the percentage on payments which he draws as treasurer to the army, must amount to a large sum yearly. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 42.]

Dec. 26. Lisburn. The same to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Having done all I conceive necessary to prevent the enemy from making any advantage of the passes in Lough Neagh, I know not what further answer to give. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 19.]

Dec. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Morgan. I am sorry to hear by your letter from Kinnersley, in Herefordshire, how many malcontents you find in that country, I can impute it to nothing but those false and seditious reports that, as you say, are very industriously spread abroad by some disaffected persons. Therefore, to prevent the like for the future, I have sent a letter to the Mayor of Hereford about it, in hopes, when it has had its effect, and some of those seditious newsmongers and incendiaries have been made an example of, it may put a stop to this growing mischief. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 219.]

Dec. 26. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Hereford. The letter referred to in the foregoing. [*Ibid., p.* 220.]

Dec. 26. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. I have received your letter about several prisoners having demanded a copy of their commitment; in answer I need not tell you that the *Habeas Corpus* Act requires all officers to deliver, to any person in their custody, a copy of his commitment, or detainer, within six hours after demand, under very severe penalties: but as you say they are detained upon a verbal order only—which I confess I do not understand rightly how it comes that the gaoler or other officer in whose custody they are

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had not some written orders for their being secured, from the civil magistrate, and therefore desire to be informed—I can only refer you to my letter of the 16th of March last, pursuant to an Order of Council of the like date, signifying his Majesty's pleasure to you for the apprehending and securing all such Irish papists as should be found escaping to Ireland. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 220.]

Dec. 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Cross, stating that he was the first person that went from Exeter to wait on his Majesty on his landing at Torbay and was employed in many ways to his Majesty's satisfaction. Prays for a landwaiter's place in the Custom House, London. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 59.]

Dec. 26. Whitehall. Warrant for a Treasury warrant for the payment to James Johnston, esq., envoy-extraordinary to the Elector of Brandenburg, of 500*l.* for his equipage, and 5*l.* daily for his allowance. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 165.]

Dec. 26. Whitehall. A warrant directed to Sir John Berry to admit William Bowles as gunner at Deal Castle. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 69.]

Dec. 26. Pass to Charles Caspari to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 29.]

Dec. 27. Admiralty. P. Bowles to William Blathwait, Secretary of War. The enclosed is a list of the ships that make up the squadron for the Leeward Islands, Barbadoes, and Jamaica. I presume the said ships will sail with Admiral Russell, upon his arrival with the Queen of Spain from Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 64.]

Dec. 27. Zell. Sir W. D. Colt to Mr. Warre. Movements of troops. The Court at Berlin is concerned that the Imperial and Ratisbon Courts did not pass the sequestration of the Duchy of Saxe-Lawenburg. The Dutch envoy here has, at his desire, received orders to return. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 136.]

Dec. 27. Whitehall. Allowance of the extra expenses of Robert Molesworth, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Denmark, from August 16 to December 7. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 167.]

Dec. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Foulk. Having received a letter from the major of your regiment, Mr. James Fox, complaining that you have put him under a close confinement ever since the 10th of November last, without any cause, though he says he has often pressed you to name it, in the presence of several officers, and desiring either his liberty or to be heard at a Council of War, I sent to Mr. Blathwait for information, but he is unacquainted with the matter. I have therefore thought fit to write you on the subject, that either you may comply with Mr. Fox's request or return the reason which induced you to confine him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 221].

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Dec. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shaftesbury to Major Fox, acknowledging the receipt of his letter. As it is a matter which lies in Mr. Blathwait's department I have sent it to him for information. I have by this post written to Colonel Foulk. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 222.]

Dec. 28. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have received his Majesty's commands for sending over Capt. Shales. I had given orders to the captain of the *James* yacht to deliver him to Sir John Morgan, but on his making so many difficulties as to being sent away on such short warning, I have given him a fortnight to make up his accounts. [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 20.]

Dec 28. Kensington. Warrant for a gift of the office of one of the ordinary macers before the Lords of Secret Council, Exchequer and Commissions, for George Weir. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 293.]

Dec. 28. Kensington. Warrant for a commission to James Oswald to be one of the two collectors of the cess and excise, and one of the two paymasters of all their Majesties' forces in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 296.]

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Dec. 28. Kensington. Docquet of the warrant for the gift of the office of one of their Majesties' Physicians in Ordinary in Scotland to Sir David Hay. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 297.]

Dec. 28. Kensington. Commission to Archibald Dunbar to be captain of a company of foot in Richard Cunningham's regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 285]. Also blank commissions for various ranks of officers in the Earl of Angus', the Earl of Argyll's and Richard Cunningham's regiments. [*Ibid.* 271 *to* 293.]

Dec. 28. Whitehall. Warrant for the apprehension of ——— Montuke and ——— Glendenny, masters of a vessel, for seditious and treasonable practices against the Government in conveying away several dangerous and disaffected persons into France. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 31.]

Dec. 28. Passes for Dirke Willemse, Jacob Pieterse, and Jan Janse to embark Harwich or from any part of the river for Holland; for Mr. William Leek and John Rogers to go from Dover to Flanders; and for Thomas Forster, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 30.]

Dec. 29. Whitehall. The King to the Lord Mayor of London. Informing him that he had authorised the Bishop of London to make a collection in all the parish churches in London and the liberties thereof on the two next Sundays, for the poor of the parishes in London and about the same. Recommends this collection to the Lord Mayor. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 17.]

Dec. 29. Whitehall. The King to the Bishop of London authorising him to make the collection mentioned in the foregoing. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

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Dec. 21. Whitehall. Passes for St. Auban, Visoure, Rousset, Therot, Ducheonoy, and Loysel, French officers belonging to Belcastle's regiment to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 36, *p.* 19.]

Dec. 30. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Acknowledges the King's despatch of December $\frac{16}{26}$ which intimates that the season is too far advanced to send Trelawny, with the troops, to Cork, and that he would send the Danish infantry to fortify the quarters in Ireland.

Sickness begins to diminish among the troops in Ireland. Wishes to see the Dutch method of payment of officers adopted. Lord Lisburn's regiment which is the weakest, is made to appear strong on its muster, by mixing Irish in it. I told him of your intention not to mix Irish with the English regiments, but to put the Irish into the Enniskillen and Londonderry regiments only. Lord Lisburn's behaviour is not good; he spends his life in playing and drinking and a little wine affects him; after this he talks too freely. You have given him leave to go to England and it would be better to keep him there and put his regiment into other hands.

Your orders as to the regiments to be disbanded ("à reformer") shall be carried out. By the advice of Scravenmoer, Kirke, and Lanier, I have put Drogheda's regiment with Gower's, and given the former the command of it. The troops raised in Ireland may only be counted as so many Croats, in battle they will think only of plunder. Harboard experienced this, for, happening to fall from his horse, five or six Enniskillen troopers began to strip and rob him, though he said who he was. His [Harboard's] departure, leaving us without money, is most serious. I am going to try and borrow money from your custom-houses whose revenue begins to be considerable.

Remarks on his own regiment which he desires to augment by four companies, one to be of mounted fusileers of which the command would be given to St. Sauveur who has done well at Sligo, which would keep him here; he desires to quit the company of Melonniere's grenadiers, and to go and serve in the Valleys. Lanier's regiment, and those of others, contain nine companies; the increase in number proposed will not increase "l'etat du payement d'Irlande." Since I came here I have saved you 3,000*l.* upon the artillery and the same upon the contingent money. Repairs must be made in the fortifications of Carrickfergus, the most important place on the north coast, and a very commodious post for England and Scotland. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 5, *No.* 43.]

Dec. 30. Lisburn. The same to the same. I see by your letter that Count Schomberg has not reached you. You will learn from him that my illness is greater than I told you. But since it is your will that I should not depart from here, lest your service should be prejudiced, I submit to your orders. *Holograph.* [*Ibid., No.* 44.]

Dec. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Being informed that the *Charity*, William Read, master, is suddenly bound for Bruges, and that several dangerous and disaffected persons are to go on board, as soon as she is clear of Gravesend, to be transported

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to Flanders, in order to go over to the late King James in Ireland, I acquaint you with the fact, for you to give all necessary orders for stopping the vessel after she leaves Gravesend, till further order. Asks for a list of the passengers found on board. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 222.]

Dec. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Duke of Schomberg. "The King commands me to acquaint your Grace that he would have you keep Major-General Macarty under a closer confinement, than, as his Majesty is informed, he lately hath been, taking care however to treat him civilly and like a gentleman. His Majesty believes this may be a proper means to make him more earnest to obtain his liberty, and that himself, or his friends will be induced by it to employ their interest for leave to exchange him for my Lord Mountjoy, his Majesty desiring very much to have him set at liberty; for which reason his Majesty would have your Grace take the greater care of this matter." [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 67.]

Dec. 30. Kensington. Warrant for grant to John Herne, D.D., one of the King's chaplains, of a prebend of the free chapel of Windsor, void by the death of Dr. Peter Scott. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 47.]

Dec. 30. Whitehall. Commission to John Evans, gent., to be ensign of the company whereof William Dobins is captain in the regiment of foot commanded by Sir James Leslie. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 12.]

Dec. 31. A return in weight and tale of the monies yearly coined from 20th July, 1660 to 31st December 1689. Between 20th July 1660 and 21st December 1666, there was 241,263*l.* 7*s.* 11*d.* coined in gold, and 969,559*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.* in silver. The cross and harp money recoined and the money for the sale of Dunkirk, being about 840,000*l.*, was part of the 969,559*l.* 9*s.* 5*d.*, so that the silver monies imported and coined in the six years and nine months' relating to trade, was about 129,559*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.* Between 20th December 1666, and 31st December 1689, there was 6,162,036*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* coined in gold and 3,330,641*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.* in silver. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 65.]

Dec. 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Melville. The King having been moved upon an inclosed petition, directs its transmission to you to consider of and report. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 233.]

Dec. 31. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Exeter. Having been informed that one Liliston, chaplain to Colonel Tamache's (Talmash's ?) regiment was lately apprehended in your city for speaking scandalous and seditious words, and that after he had remained two days in custody you have discharged him without finding sureties for him to appear and answer it at the next assizes or quarter sessions of the peace, I am unwilling to believe you would so little consult his Majesties' service as, by a discretionary power, to discharge any person who stands accused of a crime of this nature "which seems to tread upon the heels of treason." I have therefore thought fit to give you notice of it, that you may transmit up here a particular account of the whole matter. [*Ibid.*]

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Dec. 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Melville. Enclosing copies of an information, and other papers, received by the last post and desiring an opinion upon them. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 224.];

Dec. 31. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. Having received three or four petitions successively from one Patrick Skiddy, a prisoner in Bridewell praying to be discharged, I send you the enclosed copy of a letter that I wrote to you, sometime since, signifying the resolution of the Lords of the Committee for Prisoners that all prisoners, other than such as were named to be discharged, should be left to obtain their liberty in the ordinary course of law; to which I refer the above-mentioned petitioner. [*Ibid.*]

Dec. 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Dr. Wallis. I have received yours of the 22nd, with an enclosure in it, as well as your former, and am very sorry this service has so much prejudiced your health. I have acquainted the King with it, who is very sensible of your zeal and good affection, and will, I believe, in a short time give you some mark of his favour, wherein my endeavours shall not be wanting to serve you. If I have occasion, hereafter, to send you any more of these letters, I will not press you to despatch them in so much haste as formerly, but leave it to you to do them more at leisure. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 67.]

Dec. 31. London. News letter. Letters from Plymouth give an account of the destruction of many ships by a storm [*as in Luttrell*]. Four seamen belonging to the *America* have arrived at Holyhead, having made their escape on the 20th inst. from Dublin, in an open boat. One of them, the boatswain, saw the late King and Tyrconnel at Dublin on the 15th, where the protestants are at liberty and trade as usual, having several vessels at Dublin laden with hides and tallow, bound for France. Letters from Chester of the 26th inst., state that a ship arrived from Belfast, the master of which says that news had come to the camp that Charlemont, Sligo, and another considerable place were reduced, and that several counties had offered to raise for the Duke of Schomberg 7,000 men, which he had accepted. Many of the late King's army desert. Schomberg has given them leave to return to their homes on condition that they will be quiet.

Four hundred Danish horse have arrived at Berwick; the 2nd and 3rd battalion of the same forces are on their march thither for Scotland, where provisions at reasonable rates are providing for them. Some ships arrived at Beaumaris from Ireland bringing letters of the 17th from the camp, saying that four regiments of horse are quartered at Downpatrick; that several natives have come in to Schomberg with a number of cattle; and that Major-General Macarty had escaped from Enniskillen.

Yesterday Parliament met, when a bill for review of the Poll bill was read and a second reading ordered; also a bill for laying a tax of 100,000*l.* on the Jews; and the bill for appropriating the 500*l.* forfeitures for not taking the oaths. After which the House adjourned into a Grand Committee to consider how to raise the rest of the supply for their Majesties, and resolved to introduce a bill to

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forbid the sale of beer, ale, cider, mumm, coffee, tea, and chocolate, without a licence; every person selling the first four articles to pay 20*s.*, and for the rest 40*s.*, distillers of brandy and spirits to pay 5*l.* The King's answer to the address touching the Prince and Princess of Denmark was that the King would do what was desired of him. [*Greenwich Hospital, News Letters* 3, *No.* 83, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 369.]

Dec. 31. Kensington. Blank commissions for officers of various ranks in the Earl of Leven's regiment. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 297.]

Dec. 31. Passes for Mons. de St. Martin with his servants, Jacob and Joseph, to go from Harwich or any part of the river Thames to Holland and to return [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 32]; and for Lady Ellen Elmore and her servants, Mary Mahone and James Trassy, to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 166.]

Dec. 31 (?) Pass for John Graham of Enniskillen to go from London to Chester, Liverpool or Hoylake and thence to Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 32.]

Dec. Whitehall. Pass for the ship *Elizabeth*, of London, Anthony Thorne, master, to take French prisoners to St. Malo and exchange them for English. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 29.]

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An account of the Englishmen in France with King James, giving the value of their estates:—

Lord Powis.

Lord Castlemain whose estate in England and Wales is worth about 2,000*l. per annum.*

Lord Stafford, of age. Estate worth about 3,000*l.*

Lord Witherington, "lately died in France;" his son now there, about 16 years of age.

Sir Edward Hale's estate worth about 3,000*l. per annum.*

Mr. Walmesley, estate worth above 4,000*l. per annum.*

Mr. Caryll, "of Sussex," estate worth above 3,000*l. per annum.*

Mr. Currell, "of the North," estate worth about 3,000*l. per annum.*

Mr. Browne, "the late Montague of Coudray's brother," estate worth about 2,000*l. per annum.*

Sir John Gifford, "hath a very good estate."

George Porter, vice-chamberlain to the late King, "hath a very good estate."

Sir Thomas Strickland, "an old man, hath a good estate."

Sir Roger Strickland.

Mr. Strickland, vice-chamberlain to the late Queen.

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List of Englishmen with King James—*continued.*

Mr. Richard Biddall, "a bed-chamberman to the late King and was so when he was here; hath a pretty good estate here."

Mr. Robert Brent "hath a very good estate here."

Colonel Feilding "that married Lady Purbeck."

Colonel Ennis or Innes.

Mr. Herbert.

Lord Stafford's two brothers, Francis and John.

Sir John Sparrow, "who is now quaferer (cofferer?) to the late King."

Madame Temperley, a widow, "Sir John Sparrow's daughter, hath at least 2,000*l. per annum.*"

"Mr. Gwylliam's son that was formerly a governor somewhere in the West Indies."

Brumfield, a quaker.

Capt. Trevanion.

Mr. David Lloyd.

"Dr. Conquest's brother and Mr. Waldegrave, uncle to the young lad Waldegrave, who are the two sole trustees to the young Lord Waldegrave who is also there, about 8 or 9 years of age."

"The two Mr. Sheldons."

Mr. Smith.

Mr. Hawkins, of Kent, "who hath a good estate."

Sir John Parsons.

And many others:—"The gentleman sayes he shall be able to recollect when he is satisfied of having a good reward." All these have their rents sent to them in France.

Following the list are following memoranda:—

"Foreign letters directed to Mr. Steer are to be left at Mr. Steer's chamber in Lyon's Inn, or directed to Mr. John Fitzgerald in Throgmorton Street.

"Letters directed hence to Vincent Nerrings and partner in Rotterdam, or to Sir Francis de Kenute, of Rotterdam, or to Mr. Walgrave in Bruges or Mr. Courcy at the Hague.

"Mr. Edward Nosworthy and Mr. Borlace, of Cornwall, newly come out of France.

"Harborough, a quack-doctor, living by Doctors' Commons.

"Hughes, a bookbinder, in Paternoster Row." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 66.]

The late Lord Chief Justice North's argument in the case between Sir William Soames, sheriff of Suffolk, and Sir Samuel Barnardiston. *Printed.* [*Ibid., No.* 67.]

The revenue as given to the House by Sir Robert Howard. [*Ibid., No.* 68.]

The names of the deputy-lieutenants of the counties of Bedford. [*Ibid., No.* 69.]

The names of the deputy-lieutenants of the county of Cambridge. [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

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Draft warrant for the creation of Lord Kingston to the dignity of Earl of Ardglass. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 71.]

The speech of an honourable peer in the House of Lords as to the condition of the three kingdoms. *Printed.* [*Ibid., No.* 72.]

The condition of Dover Castle and other forts and bulworks thereto belonging. Dover Castle is so ruined that there is no place habitable without repairs. The gun carriages are mostly rotten and there are many guns without carriages. Eighteen gunners belong to it. No soldiers in it. There is great need in time of war to have at least two companies there.

Deal, Walmer, Sandgate, and Sandown Castles are in good condition, having been lately repaired.

Arcliff Fort: the house walls and platform want repairs and most of the carriages are defective.

Moat's Bulwark, the house and platform want repairs and many carriages are defective. *In duplicate.* [*Ibid., No.* 73.]

Marquis de Ruvigny to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have been to your office to present Mons. de Vignoles, of whom I spoke to you. He has served the King in the position of captain and desires to go to Switzerland to see his family, fled thither on account of religion. *Holograph.* [*Ibid., No.* 74.]

Reading. John Wastmarland, clothier of Reading, to the Earl of Shrewsbury I beg you will favour my petition at the next council day. My petition has the hand of the lieutenant-general to Count Nassau, who was at Newbury, and from whom I had those forces which I conducted to Reading. I am encouraged by Mr. Robert Bridgewater, of Burfield, and several other gentlemen of Berkshire to make application to your honour, not doubting that when you have seen by my petition, not only what sufferings I have undergone for asserting the protestant interest, but how serviceable I have been to his Majesty, you will do what lies in your power for me. [*Ibid., No.* 75.]

Petition of Arthur Bury, rector, and the fellows of Exeter College, Oxford. States that Jonathan, Lord Bishop of Exeter, having given notice that he intended to visit the said college on the 24th July last, three of the fellows deputed by the rector and the major part of the fellows, did on that day, in the morning, wait on the said Bishop to acquaint him that, as they humbly conceived, by the statutes of their college, his lordship could not visit them at that time, being also the rather induced to believe themselves not mistaken in the sense of the statutes, for that, after a full hearing before your Majesty's Privy Council upon that subject, the said Bishop's petition had been lately dismissed; but his lordship was pleased to send them word, that, though he expected to meet with opposition, yet he was resolved to come. A little after the return of the Fellows, the College gates were broken open by force and violence by those that took upon them to oppose the college and assist the Bishop's pretences, and a great multitude of rude people rushing in, tore down and much abused the

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said Rector and Fellows; by which means the said bishop found an entrance into the College and went into the Hall and there held a pretended court or assembly, under colour of a visitation, whereupon the said Rector and major part of the Fellows came and humbly tendered to his lordship a protestation under the College seal against his proceedings, which they were not suffered to read out, the pretended court being adjourned to the afternoon.

Eleven of the Fellows, being your petitioners, amongst whom are five of the seven Senior Fellows of the College, and all the officers, had sentence of suspension *ab officio et beneficio* pronounced against them, by or in the presence of the Bishop, and your petitioner Hearne's fellowship was unjustly declared void. Your petitioner, Thomas Kingston, was pronounced excommunicated for having read prayers in the chapel after the pretended suspension of him as fellow, although by the said Statutes the Rector of the said College if accused of any of the crimes expressed in the said statutes is to be judged by the Visitor and seven of the most Senior Fellows; yet the said bishop attended with seven others, amongst whom was one Mr. Cohner, who then stood expelled the said college for fornication.

Two of the seven, being the only real Seniors, dissenting, and the others being obnoxious, did pronounce sentence of expulsion against the said Rector for certain pretended crimes, the particulars whereof your petitioners cannot set forth, having not been able to obtain any authentic copy of that or other the pretended sentences or proceedings, though they have endeavoured to procure the same, and the said bishop did then also pronounce sentence of excommunication against the said Rector in case he should not recede from the college and deliver up his charge by the first of this instant August; nor were the Statutes of the College, concerning the expulsion of the Rector, observed in the said proceedings. Your petitioners are advised that the said proceedings and sentences are irregular and not well founded or warranted in law nor justified by the Statutes of the College and they pray for redress. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 76.]

Note concerning Major William Christian, who was one of the first that waited on the Marquis of Carmarthen at York, and afterwards went to Cumberland, where, finding an order from his Majesty before his accession for carrying arms and stores from Carlisle to Londonderry, and the lieutenant-governor not getting any warrants for taking them away, the said Christian granted several warrants, and in three days had the said stores and arms on board a ship at Whitehaven, and the next day sent them to sea. He also seized the Irish mail and a popish schoolmaster with several letters. He prays he may be presented to his Majesty by the Earl of Shrewsbury. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 77.]

Recommendation by the Duke of Norfolk, the Earl of Shrewsbury, and several others to the King, of Mr. George Bradbury of the Middle Temple, to be Cursitor Baron of the Court of Exchequer. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 78.]

A list of the names of certain persons to be put into the commission of the peace for the county of Leicester, and added to those

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already in; with the names mistaken in the last commission, and of those who have refused to act. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 79.]

A list of justices of the peace for the county of Nottingham recommended by the Earl of Kingston. [*Ibid., No.* 80.]

James Fitzgerald to the Earl of Shrewsbury. Hearing that Mr. Lee, who was taken on the same account as I was, is at liberty on bail, encourages me to hope the same favour till be granted to me. [*Ibid., No.* 81.]

Sarah Ryley to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I humbly beseech your lordship that my petition on behalf of my husband, Thomas Ryley, may be answered. [*Ibid., No.* 82.]

Anonymous letter, unaddressed, stating that the writer cannot be concerned in anything contrary to King James' interest, and that the brother of the person to whom the letter is written has been engaged upon considerable intrigues. [*Ibid., No.* 83.]

Sir Edward Baesh to James Vernon. I am in real distress, as you may believe, having lost my former subsistence. Though I scorn the quality of an informer nor would have my name exposed for 500*l.*, yet, if I may have the assurance from you of being gratified and my name never brought upon the stage or go further than your own breast, I may perhaps give some hints which will not be unserviceable. Commit this to the flames and be careful in what concerns my reputation. *Seal.* [*Ibid., No.* 84.]

The case of "the miserable orphans" of the City of London, presented to the House of Commons. *Printed.* [*Ibid., No.* 85.]

A memorandum that when King James left England there were several tradesmen's bills owing by his Queen, which she is desirous should be discharged. [*Ibid., No.* 86.]

Col. Gustavus Hamilton to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I entreat you to acquaint the King that there were but two gentlemen in the list I returned that had not served in the standing army in Ireland. [*Ibid., No.* 87.]

Hugh Speke to the King. Petitioning for "the lott and cope" of the King's Field in Derbyshire, on account of his great costs and sufferings in the service of religion and the country. *Seal of arms.* [*Ibid., No.* 88.]

An abstract of the most deplorable case of Samuel White under the cruel oppressions of the East India Company. *Printed.* [*Ibid., No.* 89.]

Petition of divers gentry of the county palatine of Chester, stating that Thomas Powell of Birkenhead, nominated to be high sheriff for the said county, is dead, and praying that another high sheriff may be appointed, so that the quarter-sessions may be held. [*Ibid., No.* 90.]

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Recommendation by Sir Robert Cotton and others, gentry of the county of Chester, of Roger Mainwaring of Kermincham as a person very fit to be high sheriff. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 90A.]

Sir Hugh Owen to ——— By order of Mr. Jephson several Irishmen are detained in prison at Milford; how are they to be disposed of? Several ships from the Plantations and France, the custom whereof would amount in Ireland to 2,000*l.* or 3,000*l.*, are stopped at Milford Haven. I pray that orders may be sent about them. [*Ibid., No.* 91.]

Captain Berry to the Marquis of Halifax. I beg your lordship will move the King that I and Capt. Atkinson may be restored to our commands, we being almost in a starving condition. [*Ibid., No.* 92.]

—— Rynilles (?) to the Earl of Shrewsbury asking for a pass to enable Mr. James Puckle, who has arrived there, hastened by the Governor of Flanders, to return. [*Ibid., No.* 93.]

Memoranda relating to Parliamentary matters. [*Ibid., No.* 94.]

Some notes on divisions in the House of Commons from 1660 to 1689. [*Ibid., No.* 95.]

List and number of the Danish forces, commanded by the Prince of Wurtemburg. The general officers are the Prince of Wurtemberg, lieutenant general; Julius Ernst von Tettau, major-general of foot; the Marquis de la Forest, major-general of horse; John Anthon Ellenberger, brigadier of foot; Hans George Walter, adjutant-general; Wulf von Olschnitz, adjutant-generals-lieutenant for the foot; Balt Tarr, adjutant-generals-lieutenant for the horse; Rosenheim, commissary-general; Emanuel Younge, second commissary, with two clerks; Gerhardt Neve, auditor and secretary to the forces, with one clerk; Doctor Jean, physician-general; Jacob von Aspern, surgeon-general: Dorchaeus, chaplain-general; David Thevenet, lieutenant, to the quartermaster-general; and Peter Paul, lieutenant to the waggon master-general; there is also a lieutenant to the provost marshal, an executioner and an asssistant.

The three regiments of horse are:—Baron Juel's regiment, Colonel Donep's regiment and Colonel Sechstede's regiment. The nine batallions of foot are the batallion of guards, commanded by the Prince of Wurtemberg; the Queen's regiment, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Haxthusen; Prince Fredrick's regiment, commanded by Colonel Colneyen; Prince Christian's regiment commanded by Brigadier Ellenberger; Prince George's regiment commanded by Lieut.-Col. Ortzen; the Zeland regiment commanded by Major-general Tettau; the Jutland regiment commanded by Lieut.-Col. Schor; the regiment of Funner commanded by Lieut.-Col. Erffa; and the Oldenberg regiment commanded by Col. Vittinghoff. Total forces: 7,155, horse foot and officers, whereof about 1,000 foot and 100 horse are yet wanting. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 45.]

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Mons. De Lannoy to the King. States that the death of Mons. de Hofwege has rendered vacant various positions; begs that he may be appointed to one of these. Sets out his services and the small reward they have received. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 46.]

Lord Delamere to [the Marquis of Carmarthen.] You will be surprised that I, who have daily opportunity of discourse, should address you in writing: it is the nature of the thing that induces me to communicate my thoughts by this paper. The small regard which the King has given to my advice and opinion as to persons and things, shews that I ought to be silent rather than, unasked, to offer him my sentiments upon his going to Ireland. Complains that preference is shewn to those who justly rendered themselves suspected as the King's opponents, whilst he, who ventured so much for the King, is distrusted. On account of this discouragement, he has been the more silent in council and whenever the King is present, and will not speak to him about his going into Ireland.

But, on reflection, my duty told me I ought not to be altogether silent, but should communicate my sentiments to someone who would in turn, communicate them to the King, and I selected you as "the properest person." It must be allowed that a man argues under very great disadvantage, who speaks against the King's resolution, especially when that is taken from his own inclination and from "so powerful an allurement as the reducing of a kingdom, and after a general, of so high a reputation as Schomberg has failed in the attempt; to add to this, how probable it is that the King's presence there will give a new life and ferment to the business, whereby the work will be made shorter, and save the expense of much blood and treasure." Everybody must applaud the King's generous inclination; yet, everything considered, I cannot be persuaded to consent to the King's going out of England. Should another, in his absence "step into the throne, I fear he must, for ever, bid farewell to it. It has always bin the policy of Princes to be more careful to secure themselves in the throne than to consider how they got into it. Out of sight, out of mind, is an English proverb that is applicable to kings as other men; for absence has lost many kings their crowns." Contrasts the present case with that of Richard II.'s journey to Ireland.

"A hen that is to hatch eggs is instructed by nature neither to leave them so long as that they may cool, nor go too far from them, that another may become betwixt her and her nest . . . When any one at meat has unnecessarily risen from his chair to reach over to the other side of the table, if by design or chance his stool has been removed, who, suspecting no such thing, his breech has found the ground instead of his chair—there has been more in the company who have been pleased with it, than concerned for him." Is King James so forgot then and friendless as not to be bid welcome, if King William be out of the way? and do not many openly discover their inclinations for him? But if there were no such thing as King James, there is too great cause to believe that numbers want to shut the door upon King William, who has no majority either in the Lords or Commons and who has not so many friends as when Prince of Orange.

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The storm raised by Lord Dundee in Scotland was raised by the King's neglect of his friends.

Consider to how fruitless an account, the King's going to Ireland can turn. It may shorten the work, and save bloodshed and treasure, and, if the King's courage kept pace with that of the French King, I confess the arguments against me would be stronger. But the work will not become more easy, and the King's courage will spur him to risk his person, more than is consistent with the public safety. And, if his person be out of danger, yet his honour, "which is more dear to him," runs a dangerous risk. It is an undesirable thing for a king to meddle in a matter where the reputation of it depends upon the caprice of the multitude; for, though the thing be well done, yet if it be not done in their time and manner, they more often complain of ill management than rest satisfied with it. Consider how much the Duke of Schomberg has suffered by this expedition; though he has done all he is capable of doing, yet the people think his task no harder than what is said of Julius Cæsar—*Veni vidi vici.* The success falling so short of their expectation, "it has cast such a mist upon him, that the remainder of his life will not be able to dissipate." And if the King goes in person, will it not heighten the people's expectation of dispatch beyond the nature of the thing? Every necessary halt made will be thought to betoken want of courage.

"Is he so cock-sure of his army?" May they not on some disgust revolt to King James? Are the Danes to be relied on, who so lately were ready to mutiny, and declared they would return, save for their respect to Prince George? Leaves it to Carmarthen's judgment how to dispose of this letter. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 47.]

"Copy of the list of fees and pensions to officers of State and others signed at Whitehall the 31 October, 1685, with additional pensions since." These are payments to Scotch officials. [*Ibid., No.* 48.]

List of gratuitous pensions which were signed at Whitehall, on the 31st of December 1685, with additional pensions since. It includes pensions to the Earls of Middleton, Airlie, Arran, Strathmore, Ancrum, Kincardine, Erroll, Marshal Balcarres, Traquair, Seaforth, Dalhousie and Dumfries: the Countess Dowager Marshal; the Countesses of Nithsdale, Cassillis, Erroll and Perth, Lords Castlehill, Elphinstone, Kinnaird, and Angus; Ladies Margaret Hay and her unmarried sisters, McDonald, Lindores, the wife of Sir Alexander Frazer, Napier, Lucy Hamilton, Largo, Sir John Strachan, the Laird of Balnagoun, Colonels Whiteford, and Robert Tours (?), Major George Windham, Captain John Scott, Thomas Blair, Andrew Shiell, falconer, Mr. James Fall, historiographer, James Naesmith, the King's falconer, David Hay, second son of the Earl of Tweeddale, and Andrew Middleton of Pitgarvie, as master of the militia, Anna Wallace, daughter of the Bishop of the Isles, the widow Robert Lesley, Mistress Urry, Clara Hepburne, "the King's beedman and common poore," and the Rectors and Masters of the University of St. Andrews.

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"*Pensions in Charitie*," which include those to "Mistress Gullan," Major Forrester, Mr. Gregory "the mathematician," and "Widdow Herriot," and "the usual common charitie."

"*Additional pensions granted since the list*": these are to Sir Patrick Ogilvie Lord Madestie, Dame —— Murray, widow of Sir James Halket, the Bishop of Edinburgh, Dr. Irvine, the Earl of Dumbarton, Margaret Johnston, Sir James Hamilton, Andrew Wauchop of Niddrie, the Earl of Southesk, "dead," the Laird of Claverhouse, Sir James Turner, Madam Bromley, Lady Margaret Hay daughter of the late Earl of Erroll, Mistress Jean Gordon, "Abergeldie's daughter," Lady Mary Scrymgeour, the Earl of Lothian, the Bishop of Brechin, Sir Robert Grierson, "to Bannockburn and Blair, for receiving and returning the black box," the Earl of Kintore, the Earl of Wigton, Thomas Gordon, Mistress Strachan, Margaret Johnstone, Mr. John Constable, and Sir George Munro.

Particular charities by way of pension. These are "for Colonel William Sinclair's relief," to Mistress —— Drummond, the widow of Major William Brisbane, James Chalmers, "minister," John Don, Duncan Stewart, Thomas Kennaway, Hugh Fisher, and —— Mc Adam; Anna Gordon, widow of Cruikshank of Tillimorgan, Robert Kelbie, late gunner in Edinburgh Castle, and his wife, and to William Hamilton.

"*Allowances to Churchmen, &c.*" These are to the Lord Chancellor, for "printing and other private uses, conformable to particular warrants," to Mr. Alexander Dunbar, almoner, to Thomas Widdrington, Thomas Gordon, David Burnet and John Seaton, chaplains; "to the Jesuits for the mission" (200*l.*), "to the clergie for the mission" (200*l.*), "to the Highland Mission" (200*l.*) to the Benedictine monks (200*l.*) to the Scots' College at Rome" (100*l.*), ditto, at Paris (100*l.*), ditto, at Douay (100*l.*); to the monastery at Ratisbon, (100*l.*); for necessaries at the chapel "as wine, oil, &c."; "for the service of the musick" (100*l.*); to Mr. John Wallace, Lord Drummond's governor, and Mr. Christie, the Earl of Wigton's governor, Mr. Thomas Burnet, "one of the regents in Edinburgh College," John Row, and Collin Dagleish, to the keeper of the King's chapel; "to the Abbey of St. James in Wurzberg" (100*l.*), "to a French preacher, never payed," (50*l.*) [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 49.]

Copy of the foregoing, with observations against some of the names, such as "dead," "never payd" &c. This copy also shews a slight variation in the words of some of the entries, the heading "Allowances to Churchmen," reads "Allowances to Popish Churchmen," and the entry respecting the French preacher reads "to a French protestant preacher 50*l.*" [*Ibid.*, *No.* 50.]

"Humble proposals how his sacred Majesty King William, whom pray God long to preserve, may be as great and absolute a monarch as any in the world, without intrenching upon the right of any man or breaking the least tittle of the law of England." [*Ibid.*, *No.* 51.]

[Sir George Treby, Attorney-General] to the King. Report on the future government of Wales, the Court of the Lord President and the Council thereof, being now abolished, "by your Majesties' great

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grace and favour and to your subjects' great satisfaction there." That court being abolished, the office of President is also abolished, there being nothing for him to do, but what is done in the ordinary course of justice in England, the king making judges, justices of the peace, &c., the President's power as to the militia is entirely a distinct affair. As President, he cannot intermeddle therein; the presidency being taken away, it will be no advantage to you to continue that officer, "his power and court being taken away and his office useless, (and illegal, if set up again and exercised) and odious to your people."

It is necessary that a Lieutenant be appointed to govern the militia; he may be either a commoner or a peer, and either of all Wales, or any particular county. I am opinion that to make a commoner Lieutenant of all Wales, or of any county thereof, will not be for your service. If you appoint one for North Wales and one for South Wales, I would propose for North Wales, Lord Newport, now Lord Lieutenant of Shropshire, or the Earl of Bridgewater, the greatest part of whose estate lies in Shropshire, and whose ancestor was Lord President, or Lord Willoughby who has a good estate in two counties in North Wales. For South Wales, I propose the Earl of Pembroke, whose ancestors have had great possessions there, or Lord Carbery who is a native, and has a residence there.

I am of opinion that it will be more for your service to confer this employment wholly on one or both of your Secretaries of State, because you will thereby, have more immediate influence over them, as they will always have access to your Secretary. Moreover the gentlemen of Wales have always coveted to be governed immediately by the King, or by the Prince, and, by the means suggested. you take them into your immediate protection.

No Deputy-Lieutenant can or ought to be made, except his name be first submitted for your approval, and it is part of the duty of your Secretary to send, directions to Lords-Lieutenant, or, sometimes, to Deputy-Lieutenants. Besides, it will save you the pension which a Lord-Lieutenant of Wales might expect, and will set aside the competition and importunity with which, I presume you are troubled for this employment. The Secretary need not spend a farthing more; his office is very "gainful"; his clerks or secretaries will gain by the Commission, and I am confident your subjects will be pleased. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 52.]

"D' Heeran vande Comitté om de Stat in ordre voor de Connik te houden Sÿn. My Lord Bishop of Meath.—My Lord Longford. —My Lord Ross.—Captain Fitzgerald. — Mr. Witshed. — Doctor Loftus.—Bishop of Limerick." *Dutch and English.* [*Ibid., No.* 53.]

Memorandum of the names of certain Scotch regiments. [*Ibid., No.* 54.]

List of the Lords-Lieutenant in England. [*Ibid., No.* 55.]

Memorandum as to various persons, peers, and commoners, who were members of Parliament; under the heading "commoners eminent in Parliament, useful men, but not to be trusted," are given: Sir

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Thomas Lee, (Bucks), Mr. Garraway (Sussex), Mr. Harboard (Northants), Mr. Seymour, "who was speaker" (Wilts.), Sir Eliab Hervey (Essex), Sir Thomas Clarges (Middlesex), and Sir Joseph Williamson (ditto). [*Ibid., No.* 56.]

Account of the yearly revenue of the kingdom of Scotland, amounting in the whole to 115,500*l.* [*Ibid., No.* 57.]

Lists of salaries of officers and wages of soldiers, of regiments reckoned in Dutch and English monies. The first list begins with a payment to "Marshal de Schombergh." *With a note of totals.* [*Ibid., No.* 58.]

Map of the north of Ireland between Drogheda and Dundalk, shewing the position of the "camp de l'armée." [*Ibid., No.* 59.]

List of King James's forces in Ireland. *Eight regiments of horse :*— Lord Dover's guards, at Dublin ; Lord Galmoy's, at Kilkenny ; and Maryborough ; Col. Henry Luttrell's : Lord Abercorn's, in Queen's County ; Col. Sarsfield's, in Connaught, with one troop at Blessington ; Colonel Sunderland's regiment, in Wexford, dispersed as far as the county Cavan, and part in Meath ; Col. John Parker's ; and Colonel Tyrconnel's which was at Wicklow, Bray, Kilrudderry, Powerscourt, Naas, Castle Dermot, Athy and Maynooth.

Nine regiments of dragoons :—Colonel Simon Luttrell's regiment at Connaught, Dunlavan, and Clonard ; Sir James Cotter's, at Cork ; Col. Robert Clifford's in Queen's County ; that raised by Col. Miles Riley, at Cavan and Monaghan ; Col. Nicholas Purcell's, at Waterford ; Lord Dungan's, in Limerick, and Kildare ; Col. Thomas Maxwell's, Sir Neill O'Neill's, at Longford and Westmeath, and Col. Daniel O'Bryan's in Limerick.

Sixty regiments of foot :—These include "the Lord Grand Prieur Fitz James's regiment," at Dublin ; Col. Dudley Bagnal's, in Connaught ; Col. O'Donnel's, not complete ; Col. Roger O'Cahara's, ditto ; Lord Mountcastle's at Cork ; Lord Gormanstown's, at Meath ; Col. Dominick Brown's, in Connaught ; Sir Ulrick Bourk's, at Connaught ; Col. Richard Butler's, at Wexford, "not armed, said to be designed for France" ; Col. Bryan McDermott's, Sir Michael Creagh's, at Dublin ; Col. Richard Oxborough's, Col. O'Connor's, Lord Galway's, at Connaught, "intended for France" ; Col. John Hamilton's, at Fingal ; Sir Maurice Eustace's, at Drogheda ; Col. John Brown's, "not complete" ; Lord Castleconnel's, Col. Oliver O'Gara's, at Connaught ; Col. Edmund Butler's, Col. John Grace's, in Queen's County, Kilkenny, and Connaught ; Lord Clancarty's, at Cork, "intended for France ;" Lord Tyrone's, at Waterford ; Lord Antrim's, at Dundalk ; Lord Iveagh's, and Col. Thomas Butler's, at Kilkenny ; Col. William Nugent's, at Longford and West meath ; Lord Louth's, Col. Cahir O'Dougherty's, and Sir Charles Carney's, at Atherdee ; Lord Slaney's, at Dublin ; Lord Westmeath's, at Longford and Westmeath ; Col. James Purcell's, at Kilkenny ; Col. Walter Bourk's, at Wexford ; Col. Arthur MacMahon's, at Cavan and Monaghan ; Col. John Barrett's, at Dublin ; Col. Henry Dillon's, at Connaught ; Col. McGillicuddy's

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and Col. Charles O'Bryan's, at Limerick; Col. Cormac O'Neill's and Col. Robert Feilding's, "not complete, said to be designed for France;" Col. Sarsfield's and Sir Edward Scott's, "not compleat;" Col. Charles Cavenagh's, the Earl of Clanrickard's and Lord Boffin's, in Connaught; Lord Kilmallock's, at Limerick; Col. McCarty Moris', Col. Plunkett's, Col. Edmund Nugent's, "new raised, said to be designed for France," at Longford and Westmeath; Lord Hunsdon's, "not complete;" Col. Gordon O'Neill's, at Meath; Col. Edmund Ryley's, at Cavan and Monaghan; Col. McGuire's, "not well armed," at Killeshandra; and Sir John Fitzgerald's, at Longford and Westmeath. Col. Dorington, Henry Luttrell and Charles Moore are said each to have a regiment.

Total:—Horse, 3,150; dragoons, 4,500; foot, 46,800. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 60.]

List and numbers of the Danish forces commanded by the Prince of Wurtemburg, according to a muster then taken. The three regiments of horse are:—Baron Juel's, Colonel Donep's, and Colonel Sechstede's, total strength, 1,029. The nine battalions of foot are:—A battalion of guards, commanded by the Prince of Wurtemburg; the Queen's Regiment, by Lieut.-Col. Haxthusen; Prince Frederick's, by Col. Colnyen; Prince Christian's, by Brigadier Ellenberger; Prince George's, by Lieut-Col. Ortzen: the Zealand, by Major-Genl. Tettau; the Jutland, by Lieut.-Col. Schor; the Funnen, by Lieut.-Col. Erffa; and the Oldenburgh, Col. Vittinghoff. Total strength:—6,105. [*Ibid., No.* 61.]

List of the ships which Admiral Herbert carried with him from Spithead towards the coast of Ireland, and of those left behind which were to follow. Captain Hobson, of the *Bonadventure*, writing from the Bar of Topsham, announces that Admiral Herbert ordered him thither to convoy the ships going from thence to Londonderry, and then to return to the fleet. [*Ibid., No.* 62.]

Memoranda on a letter or letters from the Duke of Schomberg in Ireland. [*Ibid., No.* 63.]

Brief memoranda, in the King's handwriting, relative to the Danish troops, Rotterdam, Haarlem, &c. [*Ibid., No.* 64.]

Memorandum as to the Danish troops appointed for Doncaster and York, some being not yet landed. [*Ibid., No.* 65.]

"Memorandum for Sir Henry Goodrick." Firelocks received from Holland and those parts, far "exceed" ours here, the stocks being very rotten; if the locks get wet they are no more fit for service. The pikes are likewise very rotten, ill-made, and heavy. The waggons are all made too heavy. The battery-pieces are made of bad metal; "some burst with the small use we made of them at Carrickfergus. Powder and bombs will be needed before the summer; I will send over some bombardiers who will be able to give you a full account of the defects of the cannon and mortars. . . . . I have had this summer, a great deal of trouble with the horses belonging to the train. I wish there was a contract made in England, as is

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usual in Holland, France, and other places, for which the undertaker, for a certain sum, should be obliged to maintain such a number of horses with carters." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest*, 6, *No.* 66.]

Description of the generals of the Emperor's army. It includes accounts of the Duke of Lorraine, the Elector of Bavaria, Prince Louis of Baden, Count de Camprara, Count de Staremberg, Prince de Salm, Count Palffi, Caraffa, Count de Bielke, Count de Scherini, Prince de Coy, Gondola, "Count Taff ou Carlingford," Souches, Prince de Neuburg, the Prince of Savoy, Ulterani (?), Heisler, and Picolomini. [*Ibid., No.* 67.]

Major d'Ehrenstein to Mons. de Bernsdorff, touching Mons. de Guldenstolp. [*Ibid., No.* 68.]

Project for reaching the fortifications at Breda. [*Ibid., No.* 69.]

The Prince of Waldeck to Pensionary Heinsius. Movements of troops on the continent. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

Memorandum concerning "Le Duc Dossonne," who has been dispossessed of the farm of salt in the kingdom of Galicia. [*Ibid., No.* 71.]

Observations on the army commanded by the Marquis de Castanaga. [*Ibid., No.* 72.]

George William, Duke of Brunswick and Luneburg to the King. Asking the bestowal of a personal favour which will be explained by his envoy, Baron Schutz. [*Ibid., No.* 73.]

Proposals as to winter quarters for the garrisons abroad [*Ibid., No.* 74.]

List of English, Scotch, Swedish and French lords, gentlemen and officers going as volunteers on some expedition. *Dutch.* [*Ibid., No.* 75.]

List of persons in Pembroke's and Bellasis' regiments. [*Ibid., No.* 76.]

Memorandum of promotions to be made: In Lord Ossory's, regiment, Lieut.-Colonel MacGillicuddy to be Lieut.-Colonel, and Nevill and Hudson to be captains. In Sir Henry Bellasis' regiment, Major MacGillicuddy to be colonel, Farewell to be major, Dutton and Sayers to be captains. In Col. Wauchop's regiment, Major George Ramsey to be lieut.-colonel, Captain MacKay to be major, and Lieut. Brown to be captain. Ensign Cratcherwood to be lieutenant in one of the English regiments. [*Ibid., No.* 77.]

Memorandum signed by the Prince of Waldeck, as to the military vacancies in the allied army. [*Ibid., No.* 78.]

Plan of the camp on the Sambre. [*Ibid., No.* 79.]

The Princess Sophia to the King. Complimentary letter in which she expresses her gratitude for the King's goodness. The Chevalier Colt has told me of my obligation to you. As long as I

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breathe, I and some shall be devoted to your service. *Holograph. Printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 80.]

List of foreign regiments. [*Ibid., No.* 81.]

Letter, unsigned, to the King in which the writer refers to the receipt of a letter from his son Frederic Augustus relative to the campaign in Hungary. [*Ibid., No.* 82.]

Scheme for a military establishment for 300,000*l.* a year, with a memorandum to the effect that if the 42 companies of foot guards be reduced to 60 privates each in every company, the number would be lessened by 840 men and the charge by 12,773*l.* a year. [*Ibid., No.* 83A.]

The Prince of Waldeck to the King. As to the positions and state of the allied army and officers and the position of the Duke of Luxemburg's forces. The Prince Nassau, with Marlborough and the other generals, is at Brussels.

Postscript.—Count de Solms has spoken to General Mayer in disparaging terms of the English regiments and officers. [*Ibid.* 6, *No.* 83B.]

The same to the Marquis de Castanaga. As to furnishing him with supplies of men and horse; describes the general condition of the army under his command. *Copy.* [*Ibid., No.* 83C.]

Directions as to the use of a code of army signalling by means of *flambeaux.* [*Ibid.* 83D.]

Memorandum [for the Prince of Waldeck?] on the conduct of affairs in Holland. [*Ibid., No.* 83E.]

Petition to Parliament of William Bogill of Glasgow, in the name of his partners and freighters of the ship *Concord.* That the said ship from Madras to Amsterdam was, on 11th July 1689, taken by two French ships but was retaken by some English ships. That a short time after, Capt. John Layton of the *St. Albans* seized the same as a prize, carrying her into Plymouth and plundered her to the value of 2,605*l.* [*H.O. Admiralty* 1, *No.* 7.]

Hampton Court. Passes for the Marquis de Sessac, and three servants, viz.: Anthony La Bord, Francis La Mare and Petit Jean, to go beyond seas [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 467]; and for ——— Madden, gentleman to go to Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 25.]

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Jan. 1. An account, from the previous 1st of May, of the private soldiers wanting in their Majesties' forces in the Low Countries, according to the muster rolls in the Earl of Ranelagh's office. At the foot is a memorandum that "there are no rolls brought in for the Royal Regiment of Horse for November and December; my Lord Marlborough signifying to me that it is your Majesty's pleasure they shall be paid as full, for the said two months." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 84.]

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Jan. 1. Whitehall. The King to Major Wildman. Whereas we have issued our order to recruit the several regiments of foot in our service in the Low Countries, it is our will that you give directions to the masters of our packet boats to Holland and Flanders to give free passage to any such recruits as shall present certificates. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 38.]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Treasury. Mr. Butts writes me word from York that no part of the 10,000*l.* ordered by your lordships for the Danish forces will be paid there by Mr. Williamson, he alleging that he cannot raise it in the country, and that he has none of the King's money in his hands, whereof I give your lordships notice, that you may give such directions in it as you shall think necessary. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 68.]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Roger Williams, praying to have the execution of the naval office in Antigua, Nevis, Montserrat, and St. Christopher, last executed by Sir James Cotter, a papist now in arms against the King, in Ireland. Referred to the Committee of Trade and Plantations. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 167.]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Neale, esq., stating that Queen Elizabeth, on 12th March 1602, granted a lease of the marsh lands in the parish of St. Giles (where the laystall is now), with covenant to build, for 60 years, at the yearly rent of 60*s.*, which term is nearly expired. Prays for a lease of the premises on the expiration of Sir Richard Studdolfe's. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 169.]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Lieut. John Chichester, stating that being a Protestant he had quitted the Irish service, not being willing to serve under Lord Tyrconnel. Prays that he may be allowed half-pay, or put in employment here. Referred to the Committee for the affairs of Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 170.]

Jan. 1. Warrant for the presentation of William Shelton, clerk to the rectory of Stisted, in Essex, void by the deprivation of Charles Trumbull, D.D., the last incumbent. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 71.]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. Warrant for James Wollock to be physician to the garrison of Portsmouth. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *pp.* 19 *and* 30.]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend the Earl of Murray on suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices, and to seize his papers. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 33.]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Cornelius Carter and Henry Williams for scandalous and seditious words against their Majesties and the Government. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 1. Whitehall. Commissions for John Fowk, esq., to be captain of a company, whereof Captain William Dobbins was late captain in the regiment

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of foot commanded by Sir James Leslie [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 86]; for Samuel Venner, esq., to be lieutenant-colonel to Col. Daniel Dering's regiment of foot [*Ibid.*, *p.* 97]; for Thomas Daliell, gent., to be second lieutenant of the company of grenadiers, whereof Captain James Douglas is captain in the regiment of Scotch foot guards, commanded by Lieut.-General Douglas [*Ibid.*, *p.* 107]; for ——— Jones, gent., to be adjutant to the second regiment of foot guards called the "Coldstreamers," commanded by Colonel Thomas Talmash [*Ibid.* 3, *p.* 8]; for Harry Lawrence to be lieutenant of Lieut.-Colonel Clent's company of grenadiers in the Coldstream regiment commanded by Colonel Talmash [*Ibid.*, *p.* 12]; for Philip Griffin to be captain of that company whereof Captain Adam Purdon was lieutenant in the regiment of foot commanded by Col. Daniel Dering [*Ibid.*, *p.* 16]; and for ——— Blackburne, gent., to be ensign to Lieut.-Colonel Selwyn in the 2nd regiment of foot guards, called the "Coldstreamers." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 28.]

Jan. 1. Pass and post-warrant for Gerrit Harman to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 32]; and for Captain Thomas Delaval to go from London to Plymouth. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 33.]

Jan. 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Duke of Schomberg. Lord Grandison has represented to the King, on behalf of his son, Colonel Villiers, that his private affairs require his attendance here for some time, promising that whenever there shall be occasion he will immediately return into Ireland; upon which his Majesty has left it to you to permit Colonel Villiers to come over into England if you think it consistent with his Majesty's service. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 69.]

Jan. 2. London. News letter. There is nothing new from Brest since the return of Mons. De Umphreville with his squadron. One part of the fleet has gone to Belle Isle and Rochefort, the rest are at Brest, being intended for transporting forces into Ireland. The French King intends to commence the campaign the beginning of February; it is supposed he will go in person to the army, and the Dauphin to Germany, where the Duke de Duras and the Duke de Large will serve under him. The Duke of Orleans will conduct the army in Flanders where the Duke of Luxemburg and D'Humieres will serve as lieutenants under him. Orders are sent to Flanders to burn all the Spanish Netherlands. Mons. de Lauzun and Mons. De la Hacquett have not yet gone to Brest, but the six regiments intended for Ireland are marching thither with all diligence to be embarked on board the fleet. Mons. de Boufflers and Mons. de Caillemote are marching with some design at the head of 3,000 horse and 4,000 foot. The privateers of St. Malo intend to have fifty sail at sea next spring. Since the French King publicly declared his intention to go into the field next spring, the Dauphin has made an essay of his arms, and Mons. de Grand and Mons. de Liseney (?) have orders to get all things in readiness for the service of the court.

On Monday last, Parliament resolved that for the raising the rest of the supply an imposition be laid on tea and chocolate at the Custom House, and also an imposition of one quarter of a year's full value

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upon every house built upon a new foundation within the bills of mortality since the 24th, to be paid by the present occupier, and ordered that bills be brought in to this effect.

Letters from Scotland of the 26th say that the Lord Cardross and the Council have sent several commissions to the gentlemen of the west country bordering on the Highlands, requiring them to have all their fensible men in readiness to oppose the rebels, and if any of their tenants refuse to march they are to be treated with the utmost severity. Expresses are sent to the Earl of Menteith, Lord Murray, &c., to appear before the Council on the 14th of January under the severest penalty. Col. Ramsey's regiment is still at Aberdeen. Col. Levingstone's regiment is ordered to march to reinforce the garrison of Inverness. One of Col. Levingstone's regiment was sent express by General Mackay to Aberdeen to order the Danes to come to him immediately. A skirmish is reported to have occurred in Argyleshire between the lieut.-colonel to Argyll and the rebels, in which 500 men were killed on both sides. It is said the rebels were worsted, but this wants confirmation. The Duke of Hamilton has gone to the country, and Lord Crawford acts as President in his absence. On Saturday last money arrived at Portsmouth to pay off several men-of-war which are now going to sea.

Yesterday morning the King made his offering at the Chapel Royal; six bishops attended; the Duke of Ormond carried the sword. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter* 3, *No.* 84, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 291.]

Jan. 2. Whitehall. Allowance of Samuel Carr's bill of 279*l.* 10*s.* for stationery, supplied to the Earl of Nottingham's office, from 25 March to 25 Dec. 1689. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 170.]

Jan. 2. Whitehall. Warrant for letters of denization to the following French Protestants: — John Menard, clerk; Lewisa his wife; Mary, Susannah, and Peter, their children; Anna Gendraut; Elias De Bonrepos; Esther his wife, Elias, Alexander, Anna, and Marguarita, their children; Mathew Herbert, Elizabeth, his wife, Mathew, James, and John, their children; Mathew Renaudet, Carola, his wife, Carola, Mathew, and Isaiah, their children; Peter Goujeon, Esther, his wife, Nicholas and Isaac, their children; Anthony Beraud; Lewis Guionneau; Samuel Boutet, Samuel Adam, James, Peter, and John, his children; Claudius Bruyers; Sebastian Poitevin; Andrew Jaquad, Magdalen, his wife, and John, their son; Peter Bigot, Magdalen, his wife, Peter and Magdalen, their children; Timothy Archenbeau; Stephen la Jaille; John Moller; Thomas Oulry; James Testarde, Catharina, his wife, James and Anthony, their children; William Barbut; Hilary Reneu; Daniel David; Esther Carlat, Catharina, her daughter; Michael Hubert, and Claudina, his wife; Isaac Bossis; Charles Moreau; Peter Hogelot; Peter Hugues; Lewis Testefolle; Samuel Paquet; John Roux; Isaac Bedoe; John Pineau; John Dry; Francis Beuzelin; Paul Boucher; Lewis Boucher; Francis Fornier; Abraham de Fouquemberges; Pascal Gaultier; John Girard, Anna, his wife, and Ann, their daughter; David Barrau; Arnaud Parquot; Elias Neau; Andrew Pasquinet, and Peter, his son; John

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Machet, Peter and John, his children; Nicholas Jamain, and Jane, his wife; Martin de Carbonel; Anthonie Marie de la Croze; David Preux; Peter and Marguerita Pasquereau; Paul Lorrain; James Gastigny; Francis Bauldouin, Anna, his wife; Stephen Roussell, Thomas and Stephen, his children; Moses Moreau; Peter L'Hommedieu; William le Conte; John Simeon; John Pelser; Peter Jay, Gabriel, John, and David, his children; Davierre Bauldouin, Mary, his wife; Stephen Monginot, Catharina, his wife, Stephen, Paul, and James, their children; James Reynaud; Gabriel Thomas Marboeuf, Thomas, his son; Peter Simon; Theodore de Maimbourg; Catharina Laurent; Magdalen Chenevix, and Lewis Seigneuret. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 34, *p.* 440 *and* 35, *p.* 174.]

Jan. 2. Kensington. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Directing them to reimburse Captain Archibald Dunbar, for his expenses in freighting boats and seamen for blocking up the garrison of the Bass. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 299.]

Jan. 2. Kensington. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland adding the Earl of Morton to their number. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 300.]

Jan. 2. Kensington. Docquet of the blank warrant for a gift, of the office of shireff of the Merse. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 300.]

Jan. 2. Kensington. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of sheriff of Ayr and bailie of Kilstuart. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 301.]

Jan. 2. Kensington. Warrant for a gift of the office of sheriff-depute for Aberdeenshire, to Andrew Fraser, of Kinmundie. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 302.]

Jan. 2. Kensington. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, Receivers of their Majesties' rents in Scotland for paying the sum of 500 *l.* sterling to William, Earl of Crawford, in consideration of his expenses in the King's service. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 304.]

Jan. 2. Whitehall. Licence to John Mograge, town clerk of the city of Londonderry, to export from England 1,000*l.* in specie for the relief of the inhabitants of the said city, and a pass for him and his servant to go from London to Chester or elsewhere *en route* to Londonderry. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 32.]

Jan. 2. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend John Bruch, apothecary, on suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 34.]

Jan. 2. Pass to Antoine de St. Ange with one servant to go from London to Dover and there embark for France. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 33.]

Jan. 3. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. I see in the last Gazette that these Dukes are raising troops of which I have not heard anything here. The Duke has sent Mons. Botemer, his envoy at Berlin, to the meeting at the Hague. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *fol.* 140.]

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Jan 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Dyves. I have this day received a letter from the Spanish Ambassador complaining that Vande Velde's ship has been lately unloading by order of the Commissioners of Prizes, notwithstanding that the cause is yet undetermined by the Lords Commissioners for Appeals. He insists, as a right, that no more of the goods be taken out, but rather that they may be put on board again until the Lords' judgment may be given. I desire you will let the Commissioners know this complaint and that I have been extremely importuned by the Spanish Ambassador and should be very glad if they would put me at my ease in it as, far as equity and preserving the King's right will allow. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 225.]

Jan. 3. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. Understanding that the establishment of the army is now preparing by the Lords of the Treasury, I desire you to acquaint them that his Majesty was pleased to declare that Sir John Morgan should have the same allowances made to him as Governor of Chester as have been usually given to those of Portsmouth and Plymouth. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 228.]

Jan. 3. Kensington. Blank commission for officers in the Earl of Angus's regiment of foot. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *pp.* 304–311.]

Jan. 3. Kensington. Commission to Dr. William Blakader, to be physician of the forces in Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 312.]

Jan. 3. Kensington. Blank commissions for officers, in the Earl of Argyll's regiment of foot. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 313 *to* 320.]

Jan. 3. Kensington. Blank commissions for officers, in the Earl of Glencairn's regiment of foot. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 321 *to* 337.]

Jan. 3 & 4. Blank commissions for officers in the Earl of Glencairn's, the Earl of Leven's, the Earl of Argyll's, and Richard Cunningham's regiments of foot. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 335 *to* 368.]

Jan. 3. Whitehall. Pass to Erasmus Laurens to go to Harwich or any part of the River Thames for Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 34.]

Jan. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Captain Killigrew. Finding there is an alteration made at the Admiralty as to the sending Captain Rooke, it will be necessary that you think of some other person of those that are to go with you to do the business assigned to him, in case you cannot "make a turn at the three governments in Barbary." I have caused the instructions and commission to be prepared again, leaving a blank for the name, which I desire you to send me. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 225.]

Jan. 4. Whitehall. The same to Captain Leech. I have received your letter of the 31st of December from Plymouth with the packet you brought from Jamaica, for which I thank you. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 225.]

Jan. 4. Whitehall. The same to Sir Matthew Bridges. Upon receipt of your letter of the 26th December last with an account of your having caused three Scotchmen to be secured as dangerous and disaffected persons I

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forthwith sent copies to Lord Melville, the Secretary for Scotland, that I might have his opinion in this matter so that I might lay it before the King for further directions ; but I have not as yet had any answer from Lord Melville. This is the reason I have not sooner written to you. However, in the meantime it is fitting those persons should be continued in custody till further order which I will not fail to send to the Mayor as soon as I receive them. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's), p.* 226.]

Jan. 4. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, adding Lord Belhaven to their number. [*H.O. Scotland Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 369.]

Jan. 4. The same to the same, adding Thomas Burnet of Leyes to their number. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 4. The same to the same. Recommending them to devise means for providing subsistence for three more regiments in Scotland, and for raising seamen. [*Ibid., p.* 370.]

Jan. 4. Additional instructions to David, Earl of Leven, Hugh Mackay, and Sir George Munro of Culrain. Notwithstanding our former instructions, from what you represent we find ground to make the following alterations :—

(1) You are to consider for how many you can find subsistence by methods within your own power, and if that fall short of the number proposed by us formerly, you are to advise with our Council (before you proceed to model and disband) to know what they can propose for subsistence of the number mentioned by us, or more if they think fit, and find subsistence for them ; and after you have found what the funds will sustain, you are then to proceed to model them accordingly and to disband the rest for making up of the regiments and troops that are to stand. For your better performance whereof, we have ordered our Privy Council to give you their concurrence.

(2) If the funds of subsistence money shall not amount to so much as will maintain the numbers formerly proposed by us to you, you are to appoint the regiments to consist of fewer companies than we mentioned in our former instructions.

(3) And to the end that the troops which are to stand be completed, you are to divide the troops commanded by the Earl of Annandale and Lord Ross (if they are to be kept up) among the standing troops for completing them ; if otherwise, you are to disband them.

(4) You are to appoint the company in the Castle of Stirling, now commanded by the Earl of Mar, to continue an independent company, not to be "regimented," and to consist of ——— sentinels. And what numbers you shall appoint for the garrisons of Dumbarton, Blackness, and the Bass shall be independent ; and ———Erskin of Alva's company now in the Castle of Stirling, you are to appoint to be one of the "regimented" companies.

(5) You are not to levy any more foot for making up the seven regiments until some new fund be "condescended upon" for their subsistence.

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(6) If the 10 battalions be so far short of their numbers as you conjecture, you are to enquire who have been guilty of false musters.

In all other matters we refer you to our former instructions, excepting in so far as they are hereby "innovated." [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 371.]

Jan. 4. Commission to Hugh Mackay to be Major-General of all their Majesties' forces in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 372.]

Jan. 4. Warrant for a ratification and grant to the city of Glasgow for electing their own magistrates, as freely as any other royal burghs do within the kingdom of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 372.]

Jan. 4. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of one of the clerks of Parliament and principal clerks of Session. [*Ibid., p.* 374.]

Jan. 4. Warrant for a gift of the office of presenting signatures in the Exchequer and ordering of despatches in Scotland to John Veitch of Davick. [*Ibid., p.* 375.]

Jan. 4. Warrant for a gift of the office of Assay Master of the Mint of Scotland to Mr. Henry Alcorn and Henry Alcorn his son. [*Ibid., p.* 375.]

Jan. 4. Docquet of the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 20*l.* sterling to James Oswald of Fingaltown, as one of the two collectors of the Cess and Excise and one of the two Paymasters of all their Majesties' forces in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 377.]

Jan. . The like warrant for a similar pension to James Dunlop holding the same office. [*Ibid., p.* 377.]

Jan. 5. Sheerness. The Duke of Portland to the King. I received your letter yesterday evening by the hands of Watson: I should have sailed but for the fault of the captain of the war-ship. I am glad to have learnt your sentiments about the troublesome affair on which I am going, and will, the moment I arrive, take measures to avert them. Expresses his intention to serve the King's interests at all hazards and discusses the situation of affairs in Holland. Hopes to be in the Meuse by to-morrow. Is sorry the King has a cough. I shall learn your sentiments more fully before I tell the people here [*i.e.*, in Holland] about your intentions. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 85.]

Jan. 5. A list of the ships designed for the main fleet next year with the names of their commanders and lieutenants:

The *Britannia*, Edward Russell, admiral, David Mitchell, captain, Roger Betwood, lieutenant;

Royal James, Sir J. Ashby, vice-admiral of the red, E. Stanley, second captain, Leonard Crow, Edmund Freake, James Miles, lieutenants;

Neptune, George Rooke, rear-admiral of the red, Thomas Gardner, second captain, Jerrard Etways, James Peacock, William Coward, lieutenants;

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Duke, H. Killigrew, admiral of the blue Edward Good, second captain, William Jumper, Edward Good, lieutenants;

Royal Sovereign, Sir R. Delavall, vice-admiral of the blue, Humphrey Sanders, second captain, Joseph Hartnell, Fleetwood Emms, George Simonds, lieutenants;

London, Sir C. Shovell, rear admiral of the blue, Thomas Jennings, second captain;

Albemarle, Sir Francis Wheeler, commander, John Fletcher, Francis Hillersly, lieutenants;

Coronation, Charles Skelton, commander, Christian Fogg, William Elwes, Ashby Hughs, lieutenants;

Duchess, John Clements, commander, Isaac Adams, lieutenant;

Ossory, John Tyrrell, commander;

St. Michael, Thomas Hopson, commander, John Knapp, John Smith, Thomas Swanton, lieutenants;

Sandwich, Anthony Hastings, commander, Bernard Darby, Francis Hastings, Hercules Mitchell, lieutenants;

Vanguard, Richard Carter, commander;

Windsor Castle, George Churchill, commander, Edward Bibb, William Sharp, Robert Arris, lieutenants;

Berwicks, Henry Martin, commander, John Kidvill, Charles Smith, lieutenants;

Burford, Thomas Harlow, commander;

Captain, Daniel Jones, commander, Thomas Humphrys, Robert Hollyman, lieutenants;

Cambridge, ——— Lestock, commander, Thomas Blacke, Jacob Wright lieutenants;

Defiance, ——— Gurney, commander, Thomas Frimly, Richard Ennavall, lieutenants;

Dreadnought, Bartholomew (?) Beaumont, commander, Charles Wager, James Littleton, lieutenants;

Edgar, John Jenifer, commander, Samuel Tilly, William Jenifer, lieutenants;

Exeter, George Meese, commander, James Jesson, Humphrey Blowers, lieutenants;

Eagle, John Leake, commander, John Lydcott, lieutenant;

Essex, John Bridges, commander, Leonard Jefferson, Robert Patridge, Lieutenants;

Expedition, ——— Owen, commander, Richard Sherborne, Richard Love, lieutenants;

Elizabeth, John Baker, William Prowers, lieutenants;

Grafton, William Bokenham, commander, James Studley, William Singleton, lieutenants;

Hope, Peter Pickard, commander, Richard London, Andrew Teale, lieutenants;

Hampton Court, John Graydon, commander, John Ward, lieutenant;

Harwich, Henry Robinson, commander, Robert Gifford, lieutenant;

Kent, John Nevell, commander, Richard Cotton, Lieutenant;

Lenox, John Munden, commander, Charles Brittiff, Edward Durly, lieutenants;

Lyon, John Torply, Robert Lash, Nathaniel Symons, lieutenants;

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Modena, John Leader, commander, Theo. Hodgson, Thomas Meades, lieutenants;

Monck, Benjamin Hoskins, commander, Robert Hancock, lieutenant;

Monmouth, Thomas Raines, commander, Edmund Alston, Austin Lucas, lieutenants;

Montague, John Laton, commander, James Steward, John Perry, lieutenants;

Northumberland, Andrew Cotton, commander, Thomas Pinder, ——— Thompson, lieutenants;

Royal Oak, George Byng, commander, Charles Addamson, lieutenant;

Plymouth, Simon Foulkes, commander, William St. John, James White, lieutenants;

Resolution, Christopher Billop, commander, Edward Good, William Passenger, lieutenants;

Restoration, James Gother, commander, Andrew Pedder, William Griffith, lieutenants;

Sterling Castle, Benjamin Walters, commander, Thomas Miles, lieutenant;

Swiftsure, ——— Clarke, commander, John Buck, Clement Clarke, lieutenants;

Suffolk, the Earl of Danby, commander, Lionel Riply, Thomas Acton, lieutenants;

Warspite, Stafford Fairborne, commander, Edward Chant, John Mitchell, lieutenants;

Yorke, John Maine, commander, Francis Manley, John Nevell, lieutenants;

Advice, Edward Boys, commander, Edward Morey, Caleb Wade, lieutenants;

St. Albans, Richard Fitzpatrick, commander, Christopher King, Edward Owen, lieutenants;

Bonadventure, John Hubbard, commander, John Warner, Nathaniel Hubbard, lieutenants;

Crown, Robert Willmott, commander, Edward Littleton, John Luppthorne, lieutenants;

Deptford, William Kerr, commander, William Ayles, George Smith, lieutenants;

Dover, Edward Whittaker, commander, Jacob Townsend, Edward Loades, lieutenants;

Happy Return, Thomas Monck, commander, Robert Stapylton, John Helling, lieutenants;

Mary Rose, James Moody, commander;

Woolwich, Rupert Kempthorne, commander, John Fletcher, Henry Wilde, lieutenants;

Foresight, John Bounty, commander;

Mermaid, Arthur Ashby, commander, Jasper Bourne, lieutenant;

Milford, Charles Hawkins, commander, John Grant, lieutenant;

Pembroke, John Every, commander, Thomas Long, lieutenant;

Portsmouth, William Whetstone, commander, Richard Paul, lieutenant;

Greyhound, William Cross, commander;

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Sandadoes, Roger Newton, commander;
Salamander, William Marten, commander;
Fubbs yacht, no officer named.
Concord and *Society*, hospital ships, Ralph Crow, Henry Collins, commanders;
Twenty fireships. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 86].

Jan. 5. Whitehall. The King to the Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge. Recommending that the degree of Master of Arts be conferred upon William Foxlowe. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 73.]

Jan. 5. Warrant for a Commission to William Payne, D.D., one of the King's chaplains in ordinary, to visit all churches and chapels which are indisputably of royal and exempt jurisdiction within the city of London and 20 miles of the same, and where the episcopal authority has no pretence or claim or where such claim is disputed, as particularly in the parish churches and chapels of St. James', Duke's Place, and Trinity in the Minories. In which exempt churches and chapels divers clandestine marriages are celebrated and other crimes and illegal practices daily committed. He is likewise to inquire into unlawful marriages there celebrated and to punish the offenders by ecclesiastical censures, and to grant licences of marriage in those churches or chapels to seamen and others as is used in other places and to appoint a registrar or notary and to use a seal and what else may be necessary for such visitation. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 75.]

Jan. 5. Pass to John Graham of Enniskillen to go from London to Chester, Liverpool or Hoylake for Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 32 *and* 34.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Bolton. Having received information that the Earl of Murray was concealed at a house of Mr. Kendall at Overshott [Aldershot ?], seven miles beyond Bagshot, I have sent for him in custody by a messenger. And being also informed that several of his horses were kept there, I gave directions to the messenger concerning them; but there being no neighbouring justice of the peace to whom he could apply, all that he could do was to charge the mistress of the house, Mrs. Kendall, who had the horses in keeping, her husband being from home, to see the horses were forthcoming when required. The horses were seven coach horses and five saddle horses, but Lord Murray came to town with two coach horses and two others. I desire your Grace to cause enquiry to be made by some justices of that county that the remaining horses be secured for his Majesty's use. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 226.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend ——— Varlotin upon suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices against the Government and to seize his papers. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 34.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. Warrant for a bill revoking letters patent of the 8th of March last, appointing Arthur Herbert (now Earl of Torrington), John, Earl of Carbery, Sir Michael Wharton Sir Thomas Lee, Sir John Chicheley,

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Sir John Lowther, and William Sacheverell to be commissioners for executing the office of High Admiral of England, and also for constituting and appointing Thomas, Earl of Pembroke, the Earl of Carbery, Sir Thomas Lee, Sir John Lowther, and Sir John Chicheley, to be commissioners for executing the said office and also the office of High Admiral of Ireland and the dominions and islands of the said kingdoms. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 163.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. Warrant to discharge the Danish ship, the *Younger Tobias* of Altona, George Remus, master, taken by a French privateer, and retaken by the King's ship, the *Mordant*, Captain John Tirrell, commander, and brought into Plymouth. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 168.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Colonel William Cole, of the office of Secretary of State of the Colony of Virginia, in the place of ——— Spencer deceased. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 169.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Alexander Hicks, and Mary Miggs, stating that "having gained a decree in the Court of Canterbury," for the will of John Singleton, the said Hicks, being at sea, the said cause was reheard and the Decree reversed. Begs for a commission of review. Referred to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 167.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Alice Bond, Mary Greening, Mary Gardiner, Susan Jones, Joseph Utting, John Nicholson, and John Collingwood, prisoners in the new prison at Clerkenwell, in Middlesex, praying that, having been confined for non-payment of several fines which they are unable to pay, they may be discharged. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 169.]

Jan. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Simon Quash, praying for relief, he having faithfully served his Majesty as a sergeant in Ireland, and all through the siege of Londonderry, and being now, with a wife and three children, reduced to poverty. Referred to the committee for Irish affairs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 170.]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. About the 20th of November last I sent the Lords of the Treasury a letter with a pass enclosed, which I had then recently received from the Mayor of Dover, giving an account of a person secured there for transporting wool. I desire to know if the Lords of the Treasury have done anything in it, and if not that you will on the first opportunity move their lordships for directions in the matter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 227.]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your letter of the 4th instant with the enclosed papers containing false and seditious news; but unless the author or disperser of them can be discovered, the best course is to suppress them. I have written to Mr. Jephson, the Secretary to the Lords of the Treasury, as to the person in custody for transporting wool. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 228.]

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Jan. 7. Whitehall. The same to Mayor of Exeter. Concerning Mr. Liliston I am not insensible of the mistake in my last, occasioned by wrong information of the person from whom I first received an account of that matter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*), *p.* 229.]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Plymouth. A like letter to that sent to the Mayor of Exeter, dated 31st December 1689. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 232.]

Jan. 7. Proceedings upon the petition of the wives of the seamen of the ship *Lively*, praying that their husbands, being prisoners of war at Rochefort in France, may be released. Referred to the Commissioners for Exchange of Prisoners. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 168.]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Stephen Thompson, knt. Prays that his Majesty will order two bonds entered into by Elizabeth Marshall a postmistress and Cuthbert Gibson to be delivered to him in satisfaction of his debt, against the said Elizabeth for wines. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Ann Oswell, Deborah Gough, and Margaret Steward, praying that their husbands, taken prisoners in the *Swan*, pink, and carried to Rochefort, in France, may be released. Referred to the Commissioners for the Exchange of Prisoners. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 169.]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. Warrant to John, Earl of Bath, chief ranger of St. James' Park, to deliver possession to Peter Guenon of Beaubuisson of "that little house in St. James' Park," now in the possession of George Holder for the conveniency of our service in keeping there our setting dogs. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 35.]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. Pass and post-warrants for Francis Tassell, a poor French protestant, to embark at Harwich for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 170]; for Jan Verhaest Dye to go from London to Harwich and thence to Holland; for John Redpen to go from any part of the river Thames to Scotland; and for Zachariah Audoier to go from any part of the same river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 35.]

Jan. 7. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Edward Elliot and William Arnold for forcibly rescuing Ferdinando Mighon, a deserter from Lord Sydney's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

Jan. 8. Whitehall. Passes for Elizabeth Rocks to go from London to Harwich or from any part of the river to Holland and to return; and for James Arthur and Ellen Arthur his daughter to go to any part of the river to Bilboa. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

Jan. 9. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Following your orders I have sent the cavalry officers to recruit and restore their regiments. Refers to his request, sent by Capt. Glom, for the increase of his regiment. The two reformed colonels, Romagnac and Louvigny are

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of little use here, the first has quitted the service for a long time and the second has been envoy in Poland. I wish to keep Capt. St. Sauveur who has done well at Sligo. I pressed him to leave with this despatch that you might learn my embarrassment caused by Harboard leaving me without money. He played me similar tricks at Dundalk. When affairs go ill he makes his escape. Does not believe in his illness. Hopes arrangements may be made with Pereyra or with others here for carrying provisions for 25,000 men for 20 days.

I am glad that the Danish cavalry is not coming too soon, for we have not enough to support the cavalry already here. Van Humery does not look well after providing hay. If Harboard had paid the French regiments they might have been sent to recruit in Switzerland You get more service from these three regiments, and that of their cavalry, than from twice the number of any others. Mons. de Cagny who serves me as aide-de-camp here as he did in France is a man of merit. Mons. de Lestang knows him well. Asks for his promotion. If you have no need of de Lestang's services he would be of use here. Ingoldsby's regiment has been disbanded (*reformé*). Colonel Sir Henry Ingoldsby's nephew is fit for a regiment, but only Lord Wharton's is vacant. There is one here named Crafton [Crofton ?] who has brought me a letter from Lord Shrewsbury for a regiment, but he is not a strong man and is of low birth.

You will see by my last the reasons I gave to the troops of Enniskillen and Derry to show it was not just that they should be paid as the English troops sent here. The Irish officers, mostly peasants, are paid too highly. Two or three of the French regiments have only subsistence money and 1,000*l.* is due to each of them. There is great want of money. Complains grievously of Harboard. Some officers of justice are needed here; those I employed only cause confusion. Lieut.-General Douglas showed me a letter from Count De Solms in which he says he has your leave of absence. He is too haughty to be liked in this army, but that might be overlooked on account of his capacity. I do not see any general officer here capable of commanding a wing of the army in battle. Mr. Douglas will tell you where the regiments suffer most for want of good lodging: "La nation Angloise est si delicatement élevée que d'abord qu'ils sont hors de leur pays, ils dépérissent partout où je les ay vu servir dans les pays étrangers les premières campagnes." Hopes that means may be taken to hinder French vessels bringing stores to the enemy.

Further reference to Harboard's monetary dealings, Van Humery and provisions. Has sent Capt. Kennedy who has come from Scotland, to Lord Crawford to obtain order to purchase provisions to send to the north parts of Ireland.

Mons. Scravenmoer has been to see the cavalry in the county Down; the regiments of Delamere, Devonshire, and Hewett are all officered by men who never saw any campaign but this last. Beverley, Hewett's lieut.-colonel is an honourable man, but I do not believe he ever saw a pistol fired. I never put any of the French among the English, unless the latter desire it. Scravenmoer takes Van Humery under his protection; he did the same with regard

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to Shales. Sends a letter found among Shales' papers since his arrest. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 8.]

Jan. 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Carlisle. John Irving, George Irving, and Herbert Irving, three Scotchmen, have been lately stopped in your city by Sir Matthew Bridges, and by you committed upon the information of Jane Wallace, charged with uttering seditious words. These appear to have been spoken by John Irving; and the information not extending to the other two, I am to signify his Majesty's pleasure, that only the said John be proceeded against according to the nature of his crime at the next assizes or quarter sessions of the peace, which you will take care to see done accordingly. The other two must be discharged, if there be nothing further against them. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 229.]

Jan. 9. Whitehall. The same to Lord Massereene. I have received your letter of the 4th instant concerning the petitions which were lodged in my hands, and as to that of the adventurers concerned in Lord Antrim's estate. The same depending entirely upon a settlement of the civil state in Ireland, I have only to acquaint you that though his Majesty has proceeded so far in the matter as to appoint civil magistrates there for prevention of such offences as may be committed for want of a due administration of justice and for the trial of petty causes, yet, seeing they are not to take cognizance of property of so great value as this which the petitioners lay claim to, there can be nothing further done in it at present. As to the establishment of boats upon Lough Neagh, you may remember the matter was by his Majesty's directions transmitted sometime since to the Duke of Schomberg for his opinion upon it; his Grace not having yet returned, I can at present make no further answer in relation to this or the other petition. [*Ibid., p.* 230.]

Jan. 9. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Richard Dyer. A letter of the 10th December signed by you and two other gentlemen from Lichfield having been lately put into my hands, giving an account how you find the people of that place affected towards the present Government, I am obliged to say how surprised I am to find there should be any persons amongst them so ill advised as to be misled by the false and seditious insinuations of some malcontents, whose carriage in the last reign has made them so obnoxious in this, that the only thing they have to hope for is either to embroil the nation or involve as many as they can in the same condition as themselves.

But what I am more particularly concerned at is, that those who are well affected (though, as you have represented, but few in number) should be afraid to discharge their duty when the Government is ready to assist them in any legal act they may do for the preservation of the peace and quiet thereof. And therefore I am to recommend to you that an information be made upon oath before some justice of the peace against Morgan (the person mentioned in yours) of his being a papist or reputed papist, of his taking upon him to instruct

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people in the exercise of pike or musket, and his having arms in his custody, and, if it be the fact, to insert in the information that such practices are to the terror of several of his Majesty's subjects; which information I desire may be transmitted here that further directions may be given thereupon. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 230.]

Jan. 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Fotherby. I have, according to your desire, moved the King for leave for you to come to town in order to clear your accounts, which the King has granted, and you will take care that his service may not suffer any prejudice in your absence. As to the pretences of Commissary Junge they are directly contrary to the treaty, by which it is agreed that the King of Denmark should furnish these troops with sufficient victuals and provisions and that in consideration of the expenses of the transportation the King should pay 240,000 rix-dollars, as you may see by an extract of the treaty, which I send you. His Majesty expects that the men should receive the full pay which he intends them, and that nothing shall be deducted out of it for their sustenance in the voyage, and certainly if any defalcation were to be made on that account, the benefit of it, as you observe, must be to the King, who furnishes the money and who bore the charge of their transportation and pays them, and consequently no other person can have any pretence to it. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 69.]

Jan. 9. London. News letter. Letters from Scotland say they have had a violent storm there for a fortnight and on the 30th ult. it broke down the new pier at Leith. One Cunningham has a commission to raise a regiment of 18 companies out of the four regiments disbanded. A party of the garrison of Abergelly sallied out and attacked some Highlanders who were plundering the adjacent country, killed several and took 18 prisoners. There are frequent robberies in and about Edinburgh. Two other generals, Lord Leven and Sir George Munroe, besides General Mackay, will command the forces in that kingdom.

Letters from Plymouth say that a prize galley laden with sugar was sunk in Catwater; there are hopes that the French privateer taken by the *Dover* and sunk there, may be raised. The *James* of Plymouth from Lisbon has arrived at Mount's Bay. The Portuguese ship cast away in the Isle of Wight was called the *St. Josias and Our Lady;* the master, Emanuel Sevars, and some servants of the English envoy, with 12 Portuguese, were drowned. Yesterday the common council received complaints of the undue election of several common councilmen, not being housekeepers but inmates. They also chose a committee to attend Parliament to have the judgment against the charter of the city reversed.

It is said the Earl of Argyll is expected here this evening and that the army that will be in Ireland next spring will consist of 60,000 men, commanded by the King. A paper was presented to the King entitled "Reflections on the last year from October '88 to November '89," which is such a libel that a strict enquiry is made for the author. Lord Murray, Lord Ross's son, is taken into custody. A petition is preparing by the builders against the Bill for laying a duty on

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new foundations. A patent is preparing for making Lord Brandon Gerrard *Custos Rotulorum* of Cheshire. It was resolved on Tuesday that the nominating of any member to the King for the office of sheriff was a breach of privilege. It was also resolved to address the King to appoint another sheriff for the county of York for this year in the room of Mr. Jonathan Jennings. Yesterday the Bill for an additional tax of 12*d.* in the pound for one year was read, and a second reading ordered. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter* 3, *No.* 85, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 293.]

Jan. 9. Whitehall. A warrant directed to Col. John Beaumont, lieutenant of Dover Castle, to admit David Oldfield as gunner in Dover Castle in the room of James Deane, deceased. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 69.]

Jan. 9. The King to the Duke of Hamilton. Requesting him to prepare the lodgings lately possessed by the Earl of Balcarres in the palace of Holyrood House for the Earl of Cassillis. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 377.]

Jan. 9. Docquet for the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 200*l.* sterling to Sir Robert Sinclair of Stevenston. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 378.]

Jan. 9. Warrant for a gift of the office of chamberlain of Fife to Mr. Duncan McArthur. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 9. The like for a gift of the office of warden of the Mint in Scotland to Mr. William Spence. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 379.]

Jan. 9. Commissions for Alexander Earl of Eglinton to be captain of the independent troop of horse now under his command [*Ibid.*, *p.* 380]; for the Master of Forbes to be captain of the independent troop of horse now under his command [*Ibid.*, *p.* 381]; for ——— Williams to be cornet in Sir Thomas Levingston's own troop in the regiment of dragoons of which he is colonel [*Ibid.*, *p.* 382]; for ——— Boswell to be cornet in Captain John Hay's troop in the same regiment; and for Edward Murray to be cornet in Capt. Henry Balfour's troop in the same regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 383.]

Jan. 9. Blank commissions for officers in the Earl of Argyll's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 381, 382.]

Jan. 9. Whitehall. Post-warrant for William Shuttleworth to go to Preston. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 170.]

Jan. 10. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. Your particular news is very advantageous to his Majesty's service and gives great pleasure to us here. The loss of the ships at Plymouth is a trouble to us, making our enemies rejoice, of whom most of the courts in Germany have a number, the French Court never sparing money for intelligence. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 144.]

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Jan. 10. Whitehall. Passes for John Gerrard to go from London to Harwich or from any part of the river to Holland; for Mrs. Elizabeth Peguin, L'Angevin, her man, Mons. Poison, a painter, and Mons. Fontenay to go from London to Dover and Calais and to return (*vide different spelling of their names in Pass of Jan.* 11); for Gertruys Jans and two children to go from London to Harwich or from any part of the river to Holland; and for Matthias Wall to go from any part of the river Thames to Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 37.]

Jan. 11. P. Bowles to William Blathwait. Giving a list of ships of the West India squadron either ready at Spithead or ordered thither. *Seal.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 96.]

Jan. 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Having this day received a letter from Exeter, giving an account that there pass great numbers of seamen from Plymouth, for that, as they say, they cannot be entertained there, I thought fit to give your lordships notice of it that you may give directions therein. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 232.]

Jan. 11. Whitehall. The same to Mr. James Knight. I have received your letter of the 8th instant, but cannot now so fully answer it as you might expect. As to that part of it which relates to an allowance during the time you were town-major, I have by this post written to Mr. Gibson, lieutenant-governor of Portsmouth, for better information on that matter, before I can transmit it to the Lords of the Treasury, to whom I must refer you for further directions.

If you have good grounds to believe that mass has been lately said at the house you speak of, or shall at any time hereafter be said at that or any other place, you would do well to inform some neighbouring justice of the peace that he may take such course as the law directs. But where you say the persons were taken up for speaking seditious words against their Majesties and the present Government and discharged upon their appearance when called, I am inclined to think that upon further inquiry you will find they have entered into their recognizances. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 232.]

Jan. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Lieut.-Governor of Portsmouth. I send enclosed a part of a letter which I received by the last post to which I desire your reply before transmitting it to the Lords of the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 239.]

Jan. 11. Commission to John Slezer to be captain of artillery in Scotland and surveyor of the magazines. [*S.P. Scotland*, *Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 384.]

Jan. 11. Pass for Mrs. Elizabeth Beguin, *alias* La Foise, Le Angeirn, her man, Mons. Pouson, a painter, and Mons. Fontenay to go from Calais to London. (*Vide different spelling of names in Pass of Jan.* 10.) [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 37.]

Jan. 12. Order by the Lords of the Council to the Commissioners of the Admiralty to give directions for the ships at Spithead to carry 210

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men of one of the Duke of Bolton's regiments, commanded by Lieut.-Colonel Norton, as recruits for the other regiment of the Duke of Bolton. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 97.]

Jan. 12. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. The bearer of this letter is named Matthews, the lieut.-colonel of Leveson's dragoon's; he is recruiting and is a good officer. Money is needed by the officers who go recruiting. Proposals to the Committee [of Ireland ?] in regard to money matters. I regret to see these disorders, since they hinder your service. *Holograph.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 88.]

Jan. 12. Whitehall. Warrant to affix the great seal to several commissions of the peace and sheriffs' patents for Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 38.]

Jan. 12. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend David Lindsay on suspicion of high treason, and to carry him to Berwick and thence to Edinburgh. *A note that this warrant was never executed.* [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Schmetteau. I regret that I cannot have a conference with you to-morrow, but hope to do so on Friday next. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 71.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. The same to Sir Charles Hedges. The Dutch ambassador having by a certificate under his hand bearing date the 7th day of January instant, declared that James Braynes had paid to him for the ship *Mary*, of London, John Harris, late master, taken by the French and retaken by a Dutch man-of-war called the *Phœnix*, the full proportion of salvage due, according to the treaty lately concluded between the King and the States-General, which he has been directed by the States-General to receive, and that the said ship is discharged from all process and proceedings against her under colour thereof, I do hereby, at the request of the said James Braynes and other owners, acquaint you with it; that, in case there is no other cause for detaining the said ship, you may forthwith give order for discharging her and restoring her to her owners and proprietors. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 71.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Principal Commissioners of Prizes. To the same effect as the foregoing. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 72.]

Jan. 13. The King to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland granting payment of 6,000*l.* to the Earl of Moreton. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 384.]

Jan. 13. The same to the same. Order for the palace of Holyrood House, with all offices, houses, and stables thereto belonging, to be completely repaired. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 385.]

Jan. 13. The same to the same. Warrant for the Earl of Cassillis to have the apartments in Holyrood House lately possessed by the Earl of Balcarres. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 386.]

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Jan. 13. London. News letter. Gives an account of the storm on the 11th as in Luttrell. It is reported that the French took, coming for England, between 500 and 1,000 Danes, officers, and soldiers, and carried them into Dunkirk. It is also reported that Schomberg is dead in the Isle of Man. An express to the Admiralty says that the storm has cast away 12 vessels and 50 more are wanting from the Downs. Six hundred a week die in Dublin of a raging distemper; the people have shut up their houses and left the town. The King has gone to keep Christmas at one of the Duke of Ormond's houses. The King of Sweden is about to treat with the King of France to hold a neutrality with him, for which the French King is to give a large sum of money monthly. An order is sent to all the counties of England for their militia and trained bands to be ready to draw to the sea coast in case of invasion. Count Lauzan with his officers has set forward for Brest. The King of Denmark is sending 2,000 more men to England. It is said that every considerable town in France is to send forth a regiment of 500 men for the next campaign. The King, ten days ago, looking out of the window, the sash fell upon his neck and held him fast till one of the lords came and lifted it up. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter* 3, *No.* 86, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 371.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings on the petition of Henry Baldwyn, John Morris, Timothy Biggs, and John Tustian, praying that the joiners and carpenters of Worcester, being numerous, may be incorporated. Referred to the Solicitor-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 171.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Denny Muschamp, esq., praying for the office of Clerk of the Crown and Peace for Ulster. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 171.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Moore, esq., praying for a grant to coin copper money, to be uttered in Ireland. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 171.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. Warrant for John Norwood to be a gunner in Arcliffe Fort, in the place of Thomas Peirce. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 29.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. Pardon to Timothy Hertogen, convicted of the murder of James Marsh, a coachman. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 42.]

Jan. 13. Whitehall. Passes for Herman Janse to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 38]; and for David Adams to go from London to Richmond in Yorkshire with two servants. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 39.]

Jan. 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Attorney-General. I have your opinion that a Scotchman may be sent from hence to be tried in Scotland, but there being this further circumstances in Mr. Lindsey's case, that he is discharged from his first commitment by his *Habeas Corpus* and now under a recognizance to appear at the King's Bench the next term, I desire to know your opinion whether he

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can be taken up again under my warrant for the same offence and how far the enclosed paragraph of the *Habeas Corpus* Act is applicable to this case. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 233.]

Jan. 14. Whitehall. The same to Earl of Fauconberg. I have considered the papers which I received from you, amongst which was a list of several persons who are supposed to be engaged in a design of collecting money for the service of the late King James, a copy whereof was lately put into my hands by a gentleman upon the like occasion. Though some of the persons therein mentioned (to whose character I am not a stranger) may justly render the thing probable, yet the evidence does not amount to a direct proof against any of them. I know no other use that can be made of this accidental monition but to excite the deputy lieutenants and justices of the peace in those parts to have a watchful eye over all disaffected persons and particularly those mentioned in the list, to see if any of their actions will lead to a discovery of the design which the list seems to purport. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 233.]

Jan. 14. Whitehall. The same to Colonel St. Clair. The bearer hereof, one of the messengers, being sent to bring up 14 prisoners now in the Hope, I desire you will furnish him with a guard under the command of an officer for their safe conveyance here. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 234.]

Jan. 14. The King to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland directing a daily allowance to be made to Sir David Moncreiffe. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 386.]

Jan. 14. The same to the same. Requiring them to grant a discharge to Robert Earl of Lothian for the "few and blench" duties of the lands and lordships of Newbottle and Jedburgh from July 1684 to July 1689. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 387.]

Jan. 14. Whitehall. Reprieve for Hugh Jones and John Donelan convicted of killing Alice Beale, widow. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 39.]

Jan. 14. Passes for Simon Bloemendall, merchant, to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; for Mr. Varlotin to go from Dover or the river to Flanders [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 39]; for Samuel Smith, servant to Mr. Richards, his Majesty's Chief Engineer in Ireland, to go from Chester or any other port to Belfast [*Ibid.*, *p.* 41]; and for William Burke to go to Barbadoes and the other Caribee Islands, and there to remain and trade. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 174.]

Jan. 14. Commissions for ——— Bruce to be ensign in the Earl of Leven's regiment of foot [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 387]; and for ——— Lawrence to be adjutant in the same regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 388.]

Jan. 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. His Majesty has received an account from Mr. Goodwyn, his consul at Tripoli, concerning some passes he has given to the subjects of that Government. His Majesty is satisfied they have no right to

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demand them, the article of Peace on which they rely not being reciprocal; but, being done, his Majesty will not recall it, because it might expose the consul at a time when he is employed to renew the peace with that government. His Majesty's pleasure, therefore, is that the Commander of the Mediterranean squadron do "connive" at those who possess passes from the said consul. [*H O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 30.]

Jan. 15. Whitehall. The same to Captain Killigrew. Upon Captain Rooke's being called off from the Mediterranean service, the uncertainty arises what ships may be spared to go on the Barbary coast; his Majesty is therefore pleased to intrust the consuls to renew the peace with the respective governments where they reside, and accordingly the commissions, letters and instructions are all prepared anew in their names which will be herewith sent you, and you will take care to send these dispatches with the bales of presents and other letters that are now on board Admiral Russell's ships to the several places in case you go not yourself. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 15. Pass for John Persyn to go from Harwich or the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 41.]

Jan. 16. Dublin. Lord Lisburn to ———. I am infinitely concerned that I must give you so melancholy an account of the proceedings of that part of the army under Sir John Lanier's command, in which I was unfortunately and unwillingly engaged, believing there would be some failings not in my power to prevent.

From the minute of your lordship's departure, I found a coolness in our motions and great delays which I complained of very warmly, and it was Christmas day before any resolution was taken, at which time Sir John Lanier desired that Major-General Kirke, Colonel Villers, and myself would give in writing, and he would do the same, what was best to be done. I gave my positive opinion that the motion of the army was by the King's command, and in order to force a passage over the Shannon and post ourselves there, that General Ginckle's orders were to the same purpose, and that I saw no difficulty in performing those orders since our boats and guns were so near Lanesborough, the place agreed on to be first attacked. The rest of the opinions were different and it may be thought unkind in me to mention one by Sir John Lanier who supposed and was informed that Sarsfield was posted on our side of Athlone with a great part of his army, and that it would be dangerous to move towards Lanesborough lest he should get in our rear.

To prove this a mistake, I desired only 300 foot and 200 horse and I would march through all their quarters till I came very near Athlone and bring a faithful account of what forces were in those quarters. This party was allowed me, and on the Saturday night following, about 11 o'clock, I parted from Streames to me (*sic*) and early on Sunday morning I drew up all my party on a hill in sight of Athlone, and in all this march of eight miles, and in a country entirely possessed by the enemy, we only met with a party of about 20 horse. We killed some of them and took most of their horses, the men saving themselves in the bogs. On Monday I went to Mullingar and gave the generals an account of this march, and

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informed them that the enemy were posted on this side of the Shannon and near to Lanesborough. I asked for a strong party with which I would possess myself of Lanesborough town, Racline [Rathline ?], and all the other passes on this side the Shannon, and secure them till our boats and guns arrived. The generals ordered me on Tuesday morning 1,000 foot, and 300 horse and dragoons, with which I marched to Foxhall, ten miles from Mullingar. The next day I encamped at the foot of the causeway, within five miles of Lanesborough, which was cut and broken in thirteen places, and Col. Richards assured me that if I gave him 300 men to work all night he would make the passage good. Early on Thursday morning, which was New Year's day, my whole detachment had passed, and about 11 o'clock I drew up my party on a hill within a hundred yards of Lanesborough town and bridge.

It is impossible for me to express the confusion and surprise the enemy were in at our appearance. We killed several of them on the bridge, and found large quantities of corn and other provisions by the river side and about 3,000 head of cattle, and saw, on the other side, the enemy packing up. It is the opinion of myself and party that if our boats and guns had arrived we would have been masters of their broken bridge and pass without any, or little, opposition, as we saw only about 150 men. On New Year's day Sir John Lanier came to Lanesborough; he went early the next day for Mullingar to despatch the boats, guns and other necessaries. He met them advancing but ordered them back and sent an express to me to return. I sent him answer that I was there by his command and asked for the guns and boats. I received a second express and sent the same answer. On Wednesday I received another express saying that the boats and guns would be forwarded. Colonel Richards erected a strong battery at the entrance of the bridge for mounting our guns and within 40 yards of their fort, made of sods. On Thursday, the eighth day of our being in Lanesborough, Colonel Villers arrived with orders from Sir John Lanier that it was not to the King's service to take a post on the other side of the Shannon, nor would he, if he could. On Friday morning we retreated and on Saturday came to Mullingar.

Thus ended this shameful expedition which had every prospect of success. What this riddle means I cannot imagine; unless there is some change this war will continue too long not only for Ireland, but for England too. This is now a most miserable country, more ruined by our friends than our enemies; all those who have been sufferers have had their employments that were of value taken from them. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 89.]

Jan. 16. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. The best part of the county for taking in provisions will be between Ballyshannon and Sligo, where the enemy has made some entrenchments which they cannot defend when we march by Belturbet, which is at the head of Enniskillen marshes. Some of the old fortifications made about Drogheda in Cromwell's time have been repaired. Refers to the death of St Sauveur who was a man of great courage. The two companies of cadets are very useful. Mr. Rapin has gone to you

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about providing recruits and their uniforms. There are some vacant companies in the cavalry and in the infantry which must be filled. When Oxford's regiment was sent into Holland you took five horsemen *per* company from Langston's regiment which have not been replaced; it is the best that has come from Scotland. I have sent Lanier's and another regiment towards Monaghan and Claunish (?) The English troops do not care for their quarters here, being accustomed to those of England.

Progress of recruiting. Hastings' regiment has not brought 200 men from Scotland. Bellasis' is nearly perished. Mons de Scravenmoer is charged to give you an account of the regiments inspected by Kirke and Lanier. Asks instructions as to place which the Danish troops are to occupy in the army. The Duke of Wurtemburg has sent me the staff of that *corps d'armée*, which appears large enough for a force of 20,000 men. The cavalry ought not to be embarked till April, as we lack forage. The officers of the Tower should look better after the guns and muskets. I have not asked for pikes, being persuaded that "sweins feders" are more serviceable in Ireland. The posts are very irregular; letters should be sent by way of Scotland. I have given passports to the captains of the reduced regiments that they may return to England; pay is due to them; the lack of money is a great embarrassment to us.

Never were seen officers who have so little care for their soldiers' arms. Major Doucet, who leaves here, recruiting, deserves your attention for the care he has taken of his regiment. Colonel Villers, a brigadier of cavalry, is careless of his regiment. Carriages for provisions are—now that the army is to be strengthened—more necessary than ever. I have heard from the minister of Lady Louth, who is a protestant, that her papist husband is dead and that mortality continues amongst the enemy, particularly amongst the peasants; he (the minister) had heard it remarked at his master's table, by some of "my lords" and the Irish colonels, that the generals of their army had committed a great fault, when their army came to Ardee, and ours to Dundalk, in not marching to attack our camp. The papists have asked your protection to withdraw in these parts. Shall they be granted to all? I learn that there are soldiers willing to desert. Asks if offers of money should be made to those willing to join King William's army. The officers on recruiting service leave daily for England. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 90.]

Jan. 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Dr. Edwards. I have received your letter of the 14th instant with the inclosed libels. I find these impertinences obtruded upon all kinds of people in most parts of the kingdom. I hope the endeavours that are being made to discover the authors will meet with success. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 234.]

Jan. 16. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Chester. I wrote to you on the 17th December in answer to yours of the 11th, concerning the arms that are being seized, directed to Sir James Pooly, to acquaint you that the arms should be left with Sir George St. George till they were otherwise disposed of, which I hope you have complied with, or that you will let me know your reasons for not doing so. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 234.]

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Jan. 16. Whitehall. The same to Viscount Lumley. Inclosed I send some papers lately put into my hands, amongst which you will observe a list of persons subscribing considerable sums of money for the use of the late King James; as many of them are within your lieutenancy of Northumberland, I recommend to you (the only use that can be made of this dark discovery) to cause the deputy-lieutenants and justices of the peace for that county to keep watch over all disaffected persons and particularly those mentioned in the list, to observe if their behaviour in future will give an insight into this matter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 234.]

Jan. 16. Whitehall. The same to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Durham. Inclosed I send you the copy of a list of several persons lately found in the highway not far from Sedgefield in the county of Durham, purporting to be a collection made of considerable sums of money for the use of the late King James. As many of the persons mentioned therein are, I am informed, inhabitants of your county I recommend you, and through you the justices of the peace, to have a watchful eye over all disaffected persons and in particular those mentioned in the list, to see if their action will amount to a proof of the design which at present is but suspicion. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 235.]

Jan. 16. Whitehall. The same to Sir Robert Holmes. I have received your letter of the 13th instant upon Lord Inchiquin's memorial to have power to pardon pirates, which has been referred to the Lords of the Committee for Plantations who have heard what the merchants had to say on the subject and when any further proceeding is made in it, either at the committee or at the council board, I will take care to put your views before them, and nothing shall be done to your prejudice till you are heard. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 235.]

Jan. 16. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, appointing Alexander Inglis to be appender of the Great Seal. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 390.]

Jan. 16. The same to the same. Acquainting them that Mr. Archibald Riddell, minister of the gospel, and James Sinclair of Freshwick, prisoners in France, are very hardly used. The King proposes to exchange them for two priests. [*Ibid*, *p.* 391.]

Jan. 16. The same to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland. Ordering them to reimburse Robert Elphinstone of Lopness his expenses on behalf of the Crown. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 392.]

Jan. 16. Warrant for a commission appointing Robert, Earl of Lothian, justice-general, Sir George Campbell of Cesnock, justice-clerk, and Sir Colin Campbell, of Aberuchell, to be senators of the College of Justice at Edinburgh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 388.]

Jan. 16. London. News letter. Letters from Edinburgh of the 9th inst. say that the Council have ordered a letter to be sent to the officers of the Excise where their forces have been lying, to bring in the accounts due from the soldiers between this and the first of February. They

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have also ordered another writ to the heritors of Banffshire to provide a magazine of provisions at Gordon Castle for the use of the forces at the usual rates. This day the Earl of Lothian presented two commissions to the Privy Council constituting him lord-justice-general and principal sheriff of Midlothian and Edinburgh, with an order to affix the great seal to both. This morning a flying post came from the King, recommending the Council to keep up seven regiments of foot for the service of that kingdom to be made up out of those disbanded, together with instructions that those officers who are coming from Holland for recruits, for the royal regiment there, may be allowed to beat drums for the taking up of men for that use, and to keep up in pay whatsoever horse and dragoons they shall deem necessary, four of which he will pay and the three others to be paid by this Kingdom. His Majesty also recommended the exchange of prisoners for those seamen taken out of the two Scotch frigates, and desires provision of what other seamen that kingdom will allow.

Twenty-one of the merchant ships that were driven from their anchors have come into Dover and a great many more into the Downs. The master of the French mail reports that there are great wrecks upon the French coast, 20 sail being aground between Calais, Boulogne, and Dunkirk; among them is a Dutch man-of-war of 40 guns, all the men drowned; 22 ships of force are also driven on the same shore, one of them supposed to be the *Samuel and Henry*. She keeps the French off with her guns. The *Rainbow* that came into the Downs on Saturday last from the East Indies, very richly laden, was forced from her anchors in the storm and given over for lost. She came into the Downs yesterday but having no cable nor anchor, drove herself ashore in Sandwich Bay to save her cargo. Nine sail are also cast away on the Goodwin Sands, and the *Supply*, a man-of-war of 40 guns, was on Saturday last cast away coming from Carrickfergus into Hoylake, but all the men saved.

The country gentlemen of Ireland have met and presented an address to the Duke of Schomberg for a day of thanksgiving, also to lodge a store near Newry to maintain a sufficient party there for the defence of the place, for a free market, to raise 6,000 Protestants here, to stop all passes, and that the laws be revived for the peace of the country; but happening to deliver it just as the General was going into his coach to go to Armagh, he deferred his answer till his return. Some think he will give orders for bombarding Charlemont as soon as he returns, which it is thought will be in ten days. The Governor of Flanders having prohibited all commerce with France by sea, the French have done the like by land, which it is thought will oblige the Governor to recall his prohibition, the inhabitants not being able to subsist without commerce with France. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter* 3, *No.* 87, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 303.]

Jan. 16. Whitehall. Warrant to commit Thomas Matthews, accused of being a Romish priest, to Newgate. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 43.]

Jan. 16. Whitehall. Commissions for Arthur, Earl of Torrington, to be colonel and captain of the first marine regiment of foot [*H.O. Military Entry*

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Book 2, *p.* 70]; for Sir Richard Onslow, bart., to be lieut.-colonel and captain of a marine regiment of foot under the command of the Earl of Torrington [*Ibid.*, *p.* 71]; for Henry Davies, esq., to be major of the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 72]; for Mr. Ash, to be captain of a company in the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 74]; for Mr. Spicer to be captain-lieutenant of a company in the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 75]; and for Mr. Duncombe to be first lieutenant of that company of which Lieut.-Colonel Sir Richard Onslow, bart., is captain in the same regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 80.]

Jan. 16. Passes for Christopher Liebesberg to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; for Ida Jans to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; and for William Baillie to go from London or any part of the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 42.]

Jan. [17.] Dublin. Lord Seaforth to Sir Donald Macdonald of Slate. It gives me great satisfaction to hear of the readiness of you and your men to serve the King, which is the greatest proof you can give of your loyalty. Nothing shall be wanting on my part to do you right and kindness, and that I may appear a true gentlemen, pray order some one in your island to have a fine plaid ready for me. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 91.]

Jan. 17. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. We want two posts from England, and all our councillors here are at a conference with those of the other Dukes, so I have nothing to say till I have spoken to the Dukes of Hanover and Wolfenbüttel, in order to their giving instructions to their ministers to attend the congress at the Hague. To-morrow I go to Hanover where I hope to meet the whole family at an opera. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 148.]

Jan. 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Admiralty. I desire, in consideration of the services performed by Captain Thomas Powell of Dover, you will grant a protection to his four sons John, William, and Henry, all of Dover, and Thomas Powell, living near Southampton, that they be not impressed to sea. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 236.]

Jan. 17. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend John Tyrrell upon suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 43.]

Jan. 17. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Father John *alias* Nicholas Linse, a Popish priest, for uttering traitorous and seditious words. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 44.]

Jan. 17. Passes for Jan Aldenbode, Hanrens Devas, Arysut Ruyck, Ary Bastians, Castiaen Cysberts, Ary Gerrits, Kyssenburgh, Marten Bombery, Jan Jans, Cornelis Peters, Peter Ariens, Donter Leenderts, Deerck Gerritts, and Pieter Pieters, Dutch seamen, to go from any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 42]; for the Sieur de Languedoc to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 43]; for Isias Tarleing, Peter Srip and Jan Blom to go from any part of the river or Harwich to Holland; for Dereyen Corneel, Yson Lon, Veryp Fyssen, Peter Heremensen,

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Hendrick Aereyensen, Hiozef Hercemen, and Yansen Cou, or Cousen, de Hoe and Jacob Gerretsen, Dutch seamen, to go from any part of the river to Holland; for Jacob Adriaensen, Freedryck Fyeldmansen, Jeremydsen Adreyansen, Jacob Ypereyanseng, Merten Yornsen, Corneleyse Corniellyanse, Dutch seamen, ditto; and for John Le Gros to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 44.]

Jan. 18. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Captain Glom [Glaum ?] who was bearer of a long letter to you, and to whom I explained everything regarding the artillery, was forced by the wind to Scotland and died at sea. He is a great loss to me and his place cannot be filled by an officer in the artillery, in the Tower, or here; I hope someone may be brought from Holland. As to promotions in the regiments. Lord Hewett is dead and his regiment is sought for by Lieut.-Colonel Bayerley. Hardly any officers in this regiment are capable of commanding a squadron; it is therefore proposed to appoint Mons. de Cagny, who speaks a little English and has been a captain of cavalry for more than fifteen years, in case Bayerley is made colonel. This would stop solicitations being made to you for the lieut.-colonelcy, or the majority by a young captain named Littleton, for whom the post has been asked by Sir Robert Hoare, in order that Littleton might marry on it. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 92.]

Jan. 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Dover. I desire you will send me notice by a flying packet, as soon as the fleet with the Queen of Spain on board appear in sight of your port. *Similar letters were sent to Deal, Portsmouth, Plymouth and Falmouth dated as above.* [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 236.]

Jan. 18. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. Enclosed I send you the copy of part of an information I received this day relating to several French vessels employed to import silks, laces, and other French commodities, that you may lay it before the Lords of the Treasury; but I desire you to acquaint their lordships that whatever directions are given, all possible care should be taken not to excite the suspicion of John Jenner, named therein, of the discovery made, in the hope that further proof may be obtained against him.

The *Charity*, William Read, master, is now under an embargo for endeavoring to transport several passengers to France, and it being reported that there is some plate on board her, I desire you to acquaint their lordships with it, for directions to be given to the Custom House officers to search her before the embargo is taken off. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 18. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. The enclosed is a letter written to Count Mansfeld and sent by him to the Spanish Ambassador, from whom I received it and also a letter from Mr. Russell. I have also received another letter from Mr. Russell, wherein he desires me to put your lordships in mind of completing the provisions of the ships that are to sail with him from

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Portsmouth, that there may be no delay. He also tells me that he brings with him 150 Danes that were taken by the French and escaped afterwards into Flushing, for the disposing of which he desires his Majesty's orders. I presume they must be landed at Deal, unless your lordships can direct some yachts or sixth-rates to bring them into the river, and his Majesty shall approve this last method. Mr. Russell adds that there will be about 150 persons that now attend the Queen of Spain to return with him from the Groyne, and thinks that the two men-of-war, appointed to come back with him, will not be sufficient for that number. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 2, *p.* 73.]

Jan. 18. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, directing them to proceed to the trial, for treason, of Mr. William Levingston and other officers and soldiers of Sir Thomas Levingston's regiment of dragoons. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 392.]

Jan. 18. The King to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland, requiring them to administer the oaths of allegiance and fidelity to the Lords of the Exchequer. [*Ibid., p.* 393.]

Jan. 18. Warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 500*l.* to William, Earl of Crawford, as one of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid., p.* 394.]

Jan. 18. Docquet of the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 500*l.* to John, Earl of Cassillis, as one of the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid., p.* 395.]

Jan. 18. The like for a gift of a similar pension to John, Earl of Tweeddale, as one of the same Commissioners. [*Ibid., p.* 395.]

Jan. 18. The like for a gift of a similar pension to David, Lord Ruthven, as one of the same Commissioners. [*Ibid., p.* 395.]

Jan. 18. The like for a gift of a similar pension to Alexander, Master of Melville, as one of the same Commissioners. [*Ibid., p.* 396.]

Jan. 18. Warrant for a gift of a year's rent of the bishoprics of Scotland to the Presbyterian ministers, their widows and orphans. [*Ibid., p.* 396.]

Jan. 18. Docquet of the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 100*l.* to David Moncrieffe, one of the clerks of the Privy Council of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 397.]

Jan. 18. Blank commission for the deputy-governorship of the Castle of Dumbarton and lieutenancy of the company of foot in garrison there. [*Ibid., p.* 398.]

Jan. 18. Blank commissions for officers in Lord Strathnaver's regiment. [*Ibid., pp.* 398 *to* 403.]

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Jan. 18. Docquet of the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 500*l.* to William, Duke of Hamilton, as one of the Commissioners of the Great Seal of Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 403.]

Jan. 18. The like for a similar pension to Archibald, Earl of Argyll, as one of the same Commissioners. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 404.]

Jan. 18. The like for a similar pension to George, Earl of Sutherland, as one of the same Commissioners. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 18. The like for the gift of a yearly pension of 300*l.* to the Earl of Forfar as a Commissioner of the Privy Seal of Scotland. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 18. The like for John, Earl of Kintore. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 405.]

Jan. 18. The like for John, Lord Carmichael. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 18. The like for the gift of a yearly pension of 100*l.* to John, Lord Belhaven, as one of the Commissioners for discharging the office of Clerk Register of Scotland. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 18. The like for Robert, Master of Burleigh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 406.]

Jan. 18. The like for Sir Duncan Campbell. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 18. The like for Thomas Burnet of Leys. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 18. The like for John Hay of Park. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 407.]

Jan. 18. Pass for Jacob Jorrice, David Vee and Pieter Carels to go from any part of the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 45.]

Jan. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. I desire you will acquaint the Lords of the Treasury that having examined Captain Read, who was lately stopped in the Hope, as he was carrying away men to serve the late King, I find that these passengers and several others who are on board vessels bound for Flanders, were all, or most of them, taken off at Gravesend or on this side of it, which the searcher there seems to have taken no notice of; how prejudicial this may prove to his Majesty's service, their lordships will easily judge. And it is further said that some of these vessels, particularly the "bylanders," under the pretence of trading to and from Flanders, carry their cargo directly to Dunkirk, and have thus lately gone there with several hundredweight of lead.

For a fuller discovery of this, if an account be drawn out from the Custom House books of what entries are made there of vessels, for the last four or five months, bound for Ostend or Newport, I will get it compared, by means of the Spanish Ambassador, with the entries that are kept in those places on the other side. It would be wise if their lordships would direct the officers or Commissioners of the Customs to examine Read (who will be sent to them when required) in order that these practices may be better understood and that orders may be given to prevent them in future. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 237.]

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Jan. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. By the examination of William Read, who was lately stopped in the Hope by the *Kitchin* yacht, as he was carrying away men for Flanders, I find there are vessels now going with this convoy to Ostend which have passengers who are sent on the same errand to serve the late King; particularly the *Phœnix*, Stephen Warrener, master, the *Anne* ketch, and another, John Johnson and William Broad, masters, as also three or four "bylanders." You are, therefore, to order a search to be made for such suspected men, and also for arms. The enclosed petition from the Jamaica merchants is to be laid by your lordships before the King this afternoon. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 31.]

Jan. 19. Whitehall. Order in Council approving of the report, dated Dec. 13th, 1689, a copy whereof is annexed, from the Principal Secretaries of State and the Lords of the Treasury to the King, concerning the extraordinaries to be allowed in future to the King's ministers employed abroad. *The report referred to follows.* [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 171.]

Jan. 19. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to bring up Patrick Harding, under sentence of death, to be examined before a Committee of the Lords of the Council. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 47.]

Jan. 19. Passes for Jan Pieterse Rosebol, William Willemse, Joannes Bartels, Ary Jooste, Jan Govertse, Jan Hendrickse, and Jacobus Vandenbosch, Dutch seamen, to go from any part of the river or Harwich to Holland; for Jan Feyse, Lodewick Vander Hayest, Abel Bescom, Jacob Christianse, and Tennis Pieterse, Dutch seamen, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 45]; and for Wouter Arentse and Ary Jansse, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 46.]

Jan. 20. The Duke of Richmond and Lennox to Sir Joseph Williamson. Thanking him for the trouble he has given himself concerning the writer's interest in the Alnage. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 98.]

Jan. 20. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Proceedings in the States of Holland with observations thereon and on their various members. Refers to the design which the gentlemen of Amsterdam have against him. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 93.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Houblon. I desire you will give notice to the Portuguese merchants to meet and consider the inclosed letter [*see next entry*] which is written to them by direction of his Majesty. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 237.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. The same to Portuguese merchants. His Majesty—being informed that the generality of the merchants trading to Portugal are dissatisfied at the choice of the consuls who were lately appointed for Lisbon and Oporto upon the petition of some of your number, without any opposition that appeared of the rest whilst that matter was for no small time pending, as also that you are aggrieved at the allowances and powers which are given to these consuls, as they were contained in former grants of this office—is

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disposed to remove any just cause of complaint and to give you all fitting assurances of his favour and countenance in the management of your trade in such methods as may be acceptable to you. He is therefore pleased that you should meet together and debate whether it would be most for the benefit of your trade to have one or more consuls in Portugal, what allowance you think ought to be made for the support of that office, what person or persons you judge most capable and fit to be proposed to his Majesty for the employment, and what powers they should have. What shall be agreed upon in these particulars, his Majesty desires may be forwarded to him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 238.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. The same to the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex. Some persons of quality having acquainted me they intend to move his Majesty to remit that part of the sentence pronounced this last sessions at Hicks Hall upon Peter Roman which relates to his standing in the pillory, I desire you will suspend the execution of the same for a week, till his Majesty's further pleasure be known. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 238.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. The same to the same. I understand that Mons. Beaujeu, in pursuance of his sentence, has been this day set in the pillory, where he has been scurvily used, and that it is appointed that he should stand there again to-morrow. I did not know the time was so short for inflicting this punishment, or I would before have interceded with his Majesty, in consideration of this gentleman's family, to remit it, and—illness now preventing me from immediately waiting upon the King—I desire you will suspend the further execution of this sentence for eight or ten days till the King's pleasure can be known. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 239.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Sotherne. I have received by this post a letter from Vice-Admiral Killigrew (to whom I have sent, by his Majesty's commands, the King's commission and letters to the consuls of Tunis, Tripoli, and Algiers to renew the peace with those Governments, in case the Vice-Admiral cannot attend to do it himself), who acquaints me that he has no directions yet from the Admiralty to send any vessels to these places with these despatches and the usual presents, which are now on board the *Duke*. I desire therefore you will acquaint the Lords Commissioners and procure the necessary orders. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 239.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Treasury. I send your lordships herewith a paper I received from Mons. Rosenheim, the First Commissary of the Danish troops in England, that you may lay the same before the King for his directions in it. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 74.] *Enclosing:—*

Petition from Mons. Rosenheim to the Lords of the Treasury, dated 18*th January, praying that the cost of the transport of the Danish troops may be paid.* [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 20. Proceedings upon the petition of Alexander Hicks and Mary Meggs, executors of John Singleton. Praying that—two of the Commissioners of the Great Seal having denied them a commission of review—his Majesty will revive the commission under the Great Seal Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 3, *p.* 172.]

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Jan. 20. Whitehall. Summons to Francis Foot to give evidence against certain persons for using scandalous and seditious words against his Majesty and the government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 46.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. Warrant to search the house of Mary Mullins, in or near Clare Market, she being accused of having in her possession a considerable sum of money designed for the enlisting and maintenance of several traitorous and disaffected persons, and for the transport of them to France for the service of their Majesties' enemies, and to arrest the said Mary Mullins and to seize the said money. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 47.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend John Welch, Walter Canfield, William Hill and John Tent for treasonable and seditious practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 48.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to bring up Patrick Harding, under sentence of death, to be examined before a Committee of the Lords of the Council. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Francis Geuilier to go from Harwich or the river to Holland ; for Peter Brocas, James Cillet and Margaret de Guniques to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 44] ; for Lucas Battaile, surgeon to Colonel Groben's regiment, to go from Chester, or any other port to Ireland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 45]; for Mr. William Newton to go from London to Portsmouth with two horses ; for Johannis Souflant, Willemina Souflant, his wife, and their four children to go to some place unspecified [*Ibid.*, *p.* 46]; and for John Thompson to go to Lochryan in Scotland and to return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 176.]

Jan. 21. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. As to musters and recruiting. I am daily expecting your orders and also some money, the wind being favourable. Complains of the Admiralty not sending small warships to escort the merchant vessels. The lack of money is a great prejudice to your service ; the troops perish for want of accommodation. It is thought that the post may be best sent by way of Scotland. Presses the suggestion for obtaining the use of "les petits charéttes d'Irland " for conveying provisions.

I am told by the oldest people of this country what Cromwell did when he had completed his conquest of it, and I send you a paper by which you will see how things have been disposed since that time ; what you approve therein you can give orders thereupon. Difficulties in supplying the outlying garrisons. Van Homrigh is incapable here alone and Robinson, his associate, is always in England, where I hope he will make sufficient provision. I believe that Poth (?) will be the bearer of this dispatch ; he is a good gunner, and will, I believe, ask you for Glaum's post, to serve in Holland ; you know these sort of people better than I do, so I will only remark that we have need of Germans in the capacity. Strangers are more capable than the English who have not seen service. There is an Englishman named Coval [Covel ?] who, I believe, has pretensions [to the post ?], but he does not seem to me to be very capable. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 94.]

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Jan. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord Mayor of London. I received yesterday an information from Wood Street Counter of very seditious words uttered by a prisoner there, one Mary Gooding; and sending there for a further account thereof, the enclosed examination was brought to me this morning by the clerk of the Counter, which I have thought fit to transmit to your lordship, requiring you to give such order for the prosecution as the case requires. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 240.]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. I have received a letter of the 15th instant, subscribed by you and several other gentlemen, with the petitions, and a copy of yours of the 4th of the same month, concerning some Irish prisoners at Bristol, in relation to whom I have some time since signified the direction of the Lords of the Committee for Prisoners at their last meeting, which was, that they should be left to obtain their liberty by the ordinary course of law; that may be done by two ways, either by *Habeas Corpus* or the common gaol delivery at the Assizes or Quarter Sessions. But as you have represented them as persons not able to avail themselves of the former, they must wait to be discharged by the latter, which is the common provision made for the liberty of the subject. If any of them shall offer sufficient security, I am of opinion it ought to be accepted. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 240.]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Plymouth. I received both your letters of the 12th and 14th instant concerning Mr. Lilleston; in answer to both I have only to say I am fully satisfied with the account you give of your proceedings in that matter wherein you have acted according to law. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Ashmole. I have received yours with the libel enclosed in it, of which a great many have been dispersed, and I hope the author will be found out that he may receive due punishment. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 75.]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Concerning the President's subscribing papers. Directs that search be made among the records to discover what methods have been used for subscribing such papers and Acts as were to be subscribed by the whole Council. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 407.]

Jan. 21. London. News letter. Letters from Edinburgh of the 14th say that several persons were arrived there, who say that the late King left Dublin, by reason of the great mortality in the city, about six weeks since, and that our army, now in their quarters, are recovering from the country distemper. Those of Scotland have ordered 600 bolls of wheat for the present supply of our army there, and several merchants here have undertaken to supply them with clothes which will be paid for from the Excise. The engrossed Bill to vest their present Majesties with the lands and estates belonging to the late Queen Mary or to any persons in trust for her, was read a third time.

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Some people from Calais say that the Dunkirkers have both lead and sea-coal supplied to them by English merchants, and that they are making great preparations by sea, there being in that port one man-of-war of 70 guns, three of 50, and one of 36; they are well manned, and most of the men are Flemings; besides these there are several privateers. All the garrisons on the sea-coast have marched into Flanders and the newly raised forces are to supply their own place. It is said the King will be at the head of them at the beginning of the next campaign. A prohibition is sent to Calais and all the ports to prevent any seamen going out except such as are to go into the King's service. Letters from France say that the Pope had a surfeit on New Year's day last, which nearly cost him his life; he fell into a swoon going to the Chapel and coming to himself merrily said he believed the Cardinals thought he was dead. There is talk there of a league between the Princes of Italy to oblige the Catholic Princes to join and to declare war against those that refuse. Letters from Brest written on the 16th say that the ships designed to carry supplies for Ireland were fitting out with all speed, but the rains hindered them much in careening them, that most of the troops that were to embark were in the neighbourhood of Brest, and that the train of artillery and the ammunition were all ready.

Letters from Germany say that the country of Cologne was to pay 50,000 crowns to the Elector of Brandenburg; that it had been proposed to the States of that country to pay 19,000 crowns, and the subsistence of three regiments of Bavaria which are in that country; that the Elector of Brandenburg would send no troops towards the Rhine but only his quota. The news from Hamburg and Lower Saxony is that the Elector of Saxony augmented his troops to the number of 20,000. The Sieur de Ratisbon, gentleman in ordinary to the French King, has gone to Genoa as envoy. Mons. Turvile, Vice-Admiral of France, has quitted the Order of Malta and the King makes him Chevalier or Knight of St. Lazare and gives him a pension of 4,000 livres. It is said he will command their fleet with a particular commission from the King, and that Count D'Estrees will be Vice-Admiral under him. Mons. de Melac has returned to Trêves, having made an incursion into the country of Cologne with 1,500 horse and dragoons, burnt above 28 villages and forced both that country and the country of Juliers to bring their contributions to Trêves. It being apparent that Sir Robert Sawyer was one of the prosecutors of Sir Thomas Armstrong (when Attorney-General) it was ordered that he be expelled the House for the same. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 88, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 307.]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of James Lanesborough for security of his estates in Ireland, notwithstanding the loss of his documents of title. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 60.]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. Warrant to fetch the portmanteaus, &c., belonging to some of the Irish passengers lately seized on board the *Charity* hoy, as they

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were endeavouring to cross to France, and if found to seal the same and bring them to be examined. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 48.]

Jan. 21, Whitehall. Protection to George Quinnell, William Meddin, George Lucy, John Fisher, Samuel Hutson, and Richard Gibbens, whose services are absolutely necessary for the working of the ferry-boats between Fulham and Putney, from being impressed into his Majesty's service. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 50.]

Jan. 21. A list of all the officers of the first marine regiment of foot, under the command of the Earl of Torrington.

Colonel :—The Earl of Torrington.

Lieut.-Colonel :—Sir Richard Onslow.

Major :—Henry Davies.

Captains :—Edward Ash, Joseph Stafford, Overton, Boothby, Martin, Anthony Gibbons, John Barrington, Mostyn, Ellis Cooper, William Prince, Every, Erasmus Philips, Spicer, Duncombe, and John Fairman.

First Lieutenants :—Apollo Morrice, Bradbury, Umpton Dering, Gilbert Simons, John Foster, Levesque, Needler, Cooke, Price, Beverley, Townsend, Button, Weaver, Thomas Horner, and Radborne.

Second Lieutenants :—Kinnion, Sanderson, Philips, Henry Flutter, Woddington, Anderson, George Noble, Butler, Lary, Yateman, Grace, and Harris.

Quarter-masters :—Mr. John Marsham, Mr. Pattills, and Charles Christian.

Surgeon :—Robert Manesty. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 82.]

Jan. 21. A similar list of officers for the marine regiment of foot under the command of Thomas, Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery.

Colonel :—The Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery.

Lieut.-Col. : Sir William Villers.

Major :—Webberley.

Captains :—John Sydenham, George Naylor, James Waller, Arthur Owen, William Spragg, Richard Shorditch, Lesley Finch, Anthony Duncombe, Thomas Michael, Richard Courtenay, Francis Marsh, William Hayward, Samuel Odtbert, Henry Rous, and James Langton.

First Lieutenants :—James Thomas, George Rowles, Lambert, Thomas Price, Paul Batchelor, Richard Leigh, John Bennett, Barry Moor, John Philips, John Gardner, Charles Owsley, Henry Morgan, William Williams, William Farmery, and Hill.

Second Lieutenants :—John Garsh, Purvis, James Mallory, Thomas Owen, St. John Webb, David Ward, Edward Newbold, Mansel Stradling, Nicholas Bennet, Rhodes, Philip Thomas, and Thomas Browne.

Quarter-masters :—Mr. Minait, Buckler, and Stephens.

Surgeon :—Francis Mogson. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 83.]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. Commissions to Captain Ash, to raise volunteers for a company of foot under the command of the Earl of Torrington [*Ibid.*, *p.* 81]; and for ——— Logan to be a lieutenant in the Earl of Leven's regiment. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 408.]

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Jan. 21. Blank Commissions for officers in Lord Strathnaver's regiment. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *pp.* 408–421.]

Jan. 21. Whitehall. Pass for the ship *Betty* of London, to take French prisoners to France in exchange for English. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 41.]

Jan. 21. Passes for Mons. Scafre, Mr. Duray, Mr. De la Lane, Mr. De la Cleuse, Mr. Grimar, Mr. Battingge, Mr. Gross, Mr. Monplesier, Mr. Champagne and Mr. Martin to embark in the river or at Harwich for Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 46]; for Abel Brusian and John Maynard to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; for Robert Woodman to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; for James Benoist to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; for Mary Dauglade, a native of Berne, to go to Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; for John Hermense to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 49]; for Frederick Tolemaz (*sic*) and others, Dutch seamen, to go from any part of the river to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 50]; and for Roger Tilley to go to Chester, or other place thereabouts, and embark for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 174.]

Jan. 22. An account of the arrears due to the army, including the Enniskillen and Londonderry forces. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 93.]

Jan. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hertfordshire. Understanding that there is urgent necessity of raising money for the use of the Militia of the county of Hertford, both for buying trophies and defraying of other necessary charges, I desire you therefore to take speedy care for the raising of one week's tax, according to the Act of Parliament for the Militia, throughout the whole county of Hertford. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 241.]

Jan. 22. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Faversham. I am informed that Jenks and Thursby, two popish priests, against whom I have issued a warrant, are concealed in some of the "out-lodgings" of Somerset House; but before directing a search to be made, I have, in deference to Her Majesty the Queen Dowager, given your lordship notice of it. [*Ibid., p.* 242.]

Jan. 22. Whitehall. Warrant to seize the seditious and treasonable papers belonging to Henry Nevil, *alias* Payne, a prisoner in the Fleet. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 50.]

Jan. 22. Whitehall. Warrant to search for and apprehend Thursby, Manwell, Codrington, and Purcell, Romish priests, now lurking in or near Westminster. [*Ibid., p.* 51.]

Jan. 22. Whitehall. Passes for Francis Burnaby and Mr. John Waters to go from Dover or the river to Flanders; for Anthony Row, esq., to go from London to such places as he shall have occasion on his Majesty's service, and to return [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 49]; for Paulus Wouterse and Robert Small, Jacob Robertsen, Robert Admitten, Jan Stuart, Maerten Jouse, Henrick Sunt, and Jan Jacob,

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Dutch seamen, to go from Harwich to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 50]; for John Henry Ullrick to go from Dover to France; for Jacob Areson, David Gillis, Jacob Vangell, and Barcut Dirksen, Dutch seamen, to embark in the river or at Harwich for Holland; and for Abel Buscan and John Meynard to embark in the river or at Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 51.]

Jan. 23. "Disposition" of the sum of 24,145*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.* for various services, including 1,000*l.* to Mr. Jephson for the King's secret service; 1,000*l.* to Mons. Vanderesch, for the engineer, General Cambon, and other officers, for arrears; 360*l.* to Count Schomberg as general of the horse for the months of November and December; 90*l.* to an "ensign of the Danish forces, lately escaped from France;" 21,000*l.* for "the Danish clothing"; and 203*l.* to the Commissioners of Sick and Wounded for the prisoners in the Marshalsea. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 96.]

Jan. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Wettenhall. I have received your letter of the 15th instant and am making enquiry about Mr O'Brien. I am informed by the Commissioners for Prisoners that they ordered his discharge last month, having exchanged him for the master of an English vessel. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 241.]

Jan. 23. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Macclesfield. I received a letter by the last post, inclosed in one from Mr. Philip Wingfield of Preston Brockhurst in Shropshire, with an account that a letter carrier, belonging to the post office in Shrewsbury, calling at Mr. Edward Leighton's at Wattlesborough to leave a letter there, accidentally dropped one (whereof I enclose a copy) sealed with a cypher and coronet. The gentleman into whose hands it fell, not thinking it of such importance as the person who transmitted it here, inadvertently tore off the address, but he remembers it was directed to Mr. Thomas Price of Llantyllin in Montgomeryshire, a known and zealous papist, and one who, it seems, in that part of the country bears the character of a very busy and designing man.

You will find by the contents of the letter how necessary it is to use all expedition, as well as care, imaginable in the directions you shall think fit to give for the prevention of this threatened design, or the arresting and punishment of those who shall be found the contrivers and dispersers of such false and seditious reports; and therefore I shall only recommend it to you as an occasion to excite the Deputy-Lieutenants and Justices of the Peace in those parts to a more than ordinary vigilance at a time when the professed enemies of the Government alarm and provoke it with their daily threatenings and scurrilous reflections. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 242.]

Jan. 23. Whitehall. The same to Major Wildman. Having lately received a letter purporting very dangerous designs against his Majesty and the Government, which was accidentally dropped at a gentleman's house in Shropshire by a letter carrier belonging to the post office in Shrewsbury, sealed with a cypher and coronet and addressed to Mr. Thomas Price of Llantyllin in Montgomeryshire, a known and

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zealous papist, wherein mention is made of one Mr. Pooley, though I have given such directions therein as I judge most beneficial for his Majesty's service, yet I think fit to acquaint you with it, that whenever letters shall come to your hands so directed, you may take care to stop them and send them to me for examination. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 243.]

Jan. 23. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Wingfield. I have received two of your letters of the 17th and 19th instant, with the inclosed to Mr. Price, and will take care to give such speedy and effectual directions in this matter as may, I hope, prevent this sudden and (as the writer calls it) "fortunate astonishment," which he so confidently threatens us with. I hope, if they can be discovered, to make a just example of the too frequent authors of such idle and seditious reports and insinuations as tend to the daily disquieting of the minds of the people and the common disturbance of the Government. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 23. The same to Mr. Knight. I have received your letter of the 20th instant which, with your former and that from Lieut.-Col. Gibson, I shall transmit to the Lords of the Treasury, when you may be assured I shall recommend your case to their lordships. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 244.]

Jan. 23. London. News letter. Letters from Dover of the 21st says that on the 20th, about 8 o'clock at night, the *Duke*, on board of which was the Queen of Spain, and about 40 sail more, passed to the westward, but there being a small gale, it was thought they would come back to the Downs. It is said from France that the Princes of Italy have made a league to defend all attacks against the territories of any of them, and that the indisposition of the Pope was such that the next letters may bring news of his death. The French flatter themselves that he would favour them, having sent his nephew, Cardinal Ottoboni, to make his first visit to the French Ambassador before he made any to the Spanish. The French have not been able to make a difference between the confederates about business of Saxe Lawenburg; they now confess that the matter is settled to the satisfaction of all parties.

On the 18th inst., nineteen sail of Dutch and Swedish ships bound for the Straits, sailed for Plymouth, but were driven back by contrary winds. The next day there arrived the *Venetia* and *Britannia* of London, with three Dutch merchantmen, from the Straits. They came out with upwards of 20 English and Dutch merchantmen and three Ostend men-of-war; they are very richly laden. Yesterday one Patrick Hardwine was executed for high treason for levying war against their Majesties; and at the same time six others for various crimes, amongst them a Dutch soldier who murdered his child in the cradle.

Yesterday Sir Peter Rich attended in his place to answer the petition of Sir Thomas Pilkington and others, who were fined for riot at an election of sheriffs for the City of London in 1682. Sir Peter was heard in his defence, and after some debate the question was put whether a bill should be brought for reparation out of the estates of the persons mentioned in the petition, but it was

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negatived without a division. The House resolved into Committee on the Bill of Indemnity, inflicting penalties on such as should be exempted out of the Bill. Dr. Tillotson and Dr. Scott were desired to preach before the Commons on the 30th instant in St. Margaret's. On the 21st the *Mary and Henry* arrived at Portsmouth and also three men-of-war, with 150 merchantmen. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 89, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 309.]

Jan. 23. Warrant for the presentation of Robert Hoblyn, clerk, to the rectory of Lanteglos and Advent in Cornwall, vacant by the resignation of James Beaufort, clerk, the last incumbent. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 47.]

Jan. 23. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Charles Taylor, Jean Taylor, John Clarke, Mrs. Clarke, Nathaniel Williams, Mrs. Blow, Mrs. Garrot, Mrs. West, Mrs. Hearon, Mrs. Brooks, and Mr. Brunskill, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Ratcliffe, Mr. Lock, Robert Couper, Captain John Pennington, Mrs. Standly, and Mr. Chamnore for traitorous and seditious practices against their Majesties and the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 52.]

Jan. 23. Whitehall. Warrant for Peter Guenon de Beaubuisson to be keeper of the private armoury. [*Ibid. p.* 177.]

Jan. 23. Whitehall. Pass for the Lady Mary Trant, with her two sons, James and Lawrence Trant, and her servants, Ellen Richard and Helen Jones, to go to Dover and embark for Calais. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 176.]

Jan. 24. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. Your letters were delayed because of the snow. This family is here together, excepting the Duke of Zell and his court. We have had a "camavat" and "most magnificent opera of voyces from Venice which has drawn much company hither." I hear nothing of any levies in these parts which our Gazette mentions, and I cannot get their pretensions in writing to the Duchy of Saxe Lawenburg. The Duke of Zell sends Mons. Bettemar to the Congress at the Hague, the Duke of Hanover, the Baron Goerts, and the Duke of Wolfenbüttle. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 152.]

Jan. 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. Having received two letters from Mr. James Knight of Exeter, desiring payment of his Majesty's allowance during the time he was town-major there, I wrote to Lieut.-Colonel Gibson, the governor of that city, for more particular information, whose reply, together with Mr. Knight's letters, I desire you will lay before the Lords of the Treasury and give him all the assistance you can in it. I desire also that you will acquaint their lordships that by informations lately come to my hands, I find Mr. Chiffinch, the searcher at Gravesend, is concerned with one Jenner, a Quaker there (of whom I gave their lordships an account about a week since), not only in conniving at the running of goods but in conveying several disaffected persons beyond sea, knowing them to be such, and that they were designed

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for the late King James's service, of which I could now give two or three instances; but I hope in a short time to have more undeniable proofs. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 244.]

Jan. 24. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. It being of great importance to his Majesty's service that Mr. Williamson, who is gone this day to Dover and intends to lodge at Mr. Bastick's, the master of the Flanders packet, should be secured and strictly searched for letters and other papers, which I am informed he has in his charge, I have despatched the bearer hereof, one of his Majesty's messengers, to you for that purpose, and I desire you will give him all the assistance you can in it. I think it will be convenient to let Mr. Williamson get on board, in case he designs it, and then let the boat be stopped just as it is going off, and all the passengers, and every place in the boat, searched thoroughly. Whatever letter, or packets you find about any of them I desire may be carefully sealed and delivered to this bearer to be brought to me for further examination. However, I would have you secure the said Mr. Williamson in safe custody, whether he goes on board or not, until further order. *Memorandum* "This letter was sent by Mr. Young, the messenger, at 12 o'clock at night, in so great haste that I had not time to enter it before it went, but did soon afterwards and this is the substance. I do not mean that the packet boat should be delayed any longer than until she is searched." [*Ibid., p.* 245.]

Jan. 24. Pass for David Martell to go from London to Harwich and Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 52.]

Jan. 24. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Progress of the proceedings. The States of Holland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 97.]

Jan. 25. London. News letter. Letters from Lyme, of the 20th, say that the *Bonadventure* from Jersey arrived there, having on board 20 passengers, 19 of them being masters and mates of English ships, taken by the French. They report that there are 40 men-of-war fitting out at Brest for Ireland; that they came on foot from Brest to St. Malo and were civilly treated all the way, but that the people generally are discontented and full of complaint for want of trade. The English and Dutch fleet is still at Spithead. Five troops of Danes are quartered at Newcastle, some of them attacked a country gentleman and wounded him, for which they were tried by a council of war. One ran the gauntlet, and four others were bastinadoed with cudgels, a punishment which, it seems, they inflict in their own country.

Letters from France say that Count de Lauzan was ordered by the King, four or five days ago, to proceed to Brest where they are hastening the succours for Ireland; that the Elector of Brandenburg not only intends to be reimbursed all his expenses but has carried off all the cannon from Bonn as a conquered city; that the Bishop of Munster is not well pleased with the treatment his subjects receive from the forces quartered on them; that 2,000 hogsheads of wine, 500 pipes of brandy, and a great quantity of meal,

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biscuit, and corn are shipped for Ireland without paying custom; and that the King's household are ordered to rendezvous at Champagne on the 1st of April. They also confirm the news of many of our ships being stranded on the French coast, among them being the *Greyhound*, Captain Saunders, who defended it for four days against the French, but at last was forced to yield; the men are all imprisoned at Boulogne. Mons. Chateau Reneau is ordered to Toulon to hasten the ships to Brest. Yesterday, several French merchants were seized by way of reprisal for some of ours taken in St. Malo, their names being Dulmere, Didier, Depre-ment, and two middies, Margnett and Berlins.

It is said from Edinburgh that the Duke of Gordon and the young laird of Langton were set at liberty by order of the Council. It is said that the King will, for the encouragement of our fishery, order a company to be formed for the better carrying of it on. The Convocation met yesterday and adjourned till Monday. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 90, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 311.]

Jan. 25. Whitehall. Certificate that James Johnston, esquire, envoy-extraordinary to the Elector of Brandenburg, kissed the King's hand on his departure, on 24th January. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 177.]

Jan. 25. Warrant for letters patent creating John Lauder of Fountainhall, a baronet. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 421.]

Jan. 25. Warrant for a gift of the office of master and keeper of their Majesties' wardrobe in Scotland to John Auchmouty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 422.]

Jan. 25. Docquet of the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 35*l.* to Helen Johnston, Lady Graden. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 423.]

Jan. 25. The like for a pension of 40*l.* to Margaret Johnston, relict of Sir John Wemyss of Bogie. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 423.]

Jan. 25. Warrant for a gift to John Nairn, of all goods &c., which pertained to George and James Campbell, merchants of Edinburgh, escheated to the Crown on their being found rebels, "and put to the horn by virtue of letters of horning, purchased, raised and executed against them at the instance of Alexander Simpson." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 424.]

Jan. 25. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of clerkship of the cocquet and searcher at the port of Montrose. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 425.]

Jan. 25. A similar blank warrant for the like offices at the ports of Atcheson's Haven and Preston Pans. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 427.]

Jan. 25. Warrant for a gift of the office of clerk of the cocquet and keeping of the cocquet seal from the water of Leven to Fife's Ness or the town of Crail inclusive. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 428.]

Jan. 25. Docquet of a blank warrant for a gift of the like office at Leith. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 428.]

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Jan. 25. Docquet of a blank warrant for a gift of the office of Clerk of the Coquet, &c., from Inverkeithing to the water of Leven. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 429.]

Jan. 25. The like for a gift of the like office at Dundee. [*Ibid., p.* 429.]

Jan. 25. The like for a gift of the like office for the north side of the water of Forth, above Queensferry. [*Ibid., p.* 430.]

Jan. 25. The like for the same office on the south side of the water of Forth above the Queensferry. [*Ibid., p.* 430.]

Jan. 25. Commission to Viscount Kenmure to be colonel of a regiment of foot. [*Ibid., p.* 430.]

Jan. 25. Blank commissions for officers in the same regiment of foot. [*Ibid., pp.* 431–436.]

Jan. 25. Docquet of the warrant for a gift of a yearly pension of 1,000*l.* to William, Duke of Hamilton, as President of the Privy Council of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 437.]

Jan. 25. Whitehall. Pardon for John Goodwyn of Weston in Gloucestershire, if he should be found guilty at the next assizes of killing William Gorton. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 56.]

Jan. 25. Whitehall. Passes for Alert Pooiter, Willem Janse, Josias Janse, Willem Willemsze, Robert Craffert, Jan Adriese, and Michiel Calvyn, Dutch seamen, to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; for Mons. Trepaud ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 52]; and for David Tessoniere ditto. [*Ibid., p.* 53.]

Jan. 26. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Events in Holland. Military matters. Will provide boats for service in Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 98.]

Jan. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Duke of Norfolk. I have laid before the King your letter of yesterday; he is pleased to gratify the Queen in allowing you to make a compliment to her brother and to give him the title of Highness. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 245.]

Jan. 26. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Vincent Pastery, Anthony Raffa, and Joseph Manzone to go from Chester to the north of Ireland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 51]; for John Coury, servant to the Duke of Norfolk, to go from London to Portsmouth; for Captain George Beale to go from London to Plymouth; for Samuel Huntziger and Adam Abraham de Palezieux, natives of Berne in Switzerland, with Isaac Forgeur, their servant, to go from London to Dover, and embark for Flanders [*Ibid., p.* 53]; and for Jan Janse to go from London to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 54.]

Jan. 27. The Earl of Marlborough to the King. I have taken all the pains I can with the officers to be industrious in making recruits for Ireland; but most of them think it impossible to find the whole number. I have let no day pass without speaking to "Lord G." about what you command, nor will I be rebutted in it,

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though I do not prevail much with him, save that I make him melancholy ; your kindness to him has most weight with him. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 99.]

[Jan. 27.] Speech intended to have been delivered by the King at the opening of Parliament. Hopes for the speedy reduction of Ireland and states his resolve to go there in person. *Written by the King. Printed by Dalrymple* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 100.]

Jan. 27. Whitehall. The King to Samuel Hanson, esq., high sheriff of Carnarvonshire, granting him leave to remain and dwell out of the county during his term of office. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 38.]

Jan. 27. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Charles Hedges. The enclosed extracts of the Consul at Genoa's letter being laid before his Majesty, I am directed by him to ask your opinion, whether the ship *St. Antonio* may be detained here upon her arrival, or the Genoese ships trading to Spain or Portugal seized by his Majesty's frigates and sent to England. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 246.]

Jan. 27. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petitions of Colonel Baldwin Leighton, praying that the office of Warden of the Fleet, granted by King Charles II. to Sir Jeremy Whichcote, deceased, may be conferred to him. Referred to the Solicitor-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 172.]

Jan. 27. Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Gilmore, serjeant in Captain Charles King's company, praying payment of the arrears of his pay. Referred to Viscount Sydney. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 173.]

Jan. 27. Whitehall. Proceeding upon the petition of ten grooms of the Great Chamber of King James, praying for payment of arrears in their salaries. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 173.]

Jan. 27. Whitehall. Warrant to the Keeper of Newgate to receive into his custody William Hodges, James Lowell, Charles Young, Matthew Dorrell, John Cooke, Abraham Royley, Garriot Roach, David Kennedy, Alexander Roach, Mallecese Lounghen, James Calley, John Pearce, James Dimsey, and William Read, master of the *Charity* hoy, on suspicion of high treason. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 53.]

Jan. 27. Whitehall. Remission of that part of the sentence passed upon Peter Roman—convicted at the last session at Hick's Hall, Middlesex, for speaking scandalous and seditious words against the Government—under which he was to receive corporal punishment. Besides being sentenced to receive corporal punishment, he had been fined 20 marks, and ordered to stand in the pillory at Charing Cross and at St. James's Street. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 55.]

Jan. 28. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Progress of events in Holland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 101.]

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Jan. 28. Cash Account. The balance on Jan. 23, was 106,208*l.* 10*s.* 5¾*d.* The receipts include 300*l.* from forfeitures for treason, 20*l.* from the rent of lighthouses, 45,000*l.* for loans on East India goods, 132,000*l.* from the second aid, and amount to 195,492*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.* A statement of payments, money appropriated or reserved, and particulars of "disposeable money" follow. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 102.]

Jan. 28. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. We want three posts. The snow and frost continue. Our opera and theatre "is most magnificently fine," exceeding even that of Italy, though the Duke of Zell is not here, nor any of his court. I am under dreadful apprehensions that our mirth will not end well, being concerned for the safety of Prince Charles, the fourth son of this Duke, who is marching from Pristina. If he be killed, it will bring both the Duke and Duchess with sorrow to their graves. I am much alarmed by news introduced here by our good friends, that on the 11th and 12th there had been a great storm in the Downs, and many men-of-war and merchant ships were cast away. I hope it is not true. The envoy from London writes word of the sudden journey of the King to Scotland and afterwards to Ireland. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 156.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Colonel Pope. I acquainted the King with your condition and desire to come over to England for recovery of your health, which his Majesty would have you take care of, and by his orders I have written this night to the General to give you leave; but I am likewise directed to acquaint you that your absence can be dispensed with but for a very short time, his Majesty intending to have the army very early in the field and to be himself at the head of it, on which consideration I do not question you will still continue in that country unless there be an absolute necessity for your removal. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 246.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. The same to Major Wildman. Mr. Francis Williamson has, by his Majesty's directions, been lately stopped at Dover, where he still remains in custody; among the papers found on him, I find the copy of a recommendatory letter from yourself on behalf of him and two other persons. I have some reason to believe, both from the letters that were found about him and from some information I have received, that he was employed to carry letters and intelligence from France; for although your letter was for his passage to Flanders, yet I understand by the Mayor of Dover that his design was to go to France. I desire therefore an explanation what you know of him; and how you came to give him your recommendation. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 246.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your letter of the 26th instant reporting the arrest of Mr. Francis Williamson with the inclosed papers which were found upon him. I have directed an *Habeas Corpus* to issue to bring him up, in order to his further examination touching the same, and the Lords of the Treasury have given the like directions to Mr. Aaron Smith, their solicitor, concerning Robert Smith, now a prisoner in your gaol for transporting wool. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 247.]

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Jan. 28. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Hearne. His Majesty is content that the 40,000 crowns, remitted by you to Mr. Texeira, be paid by him to Mr. Molesworth or his order. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's) 2, p. 75.*]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Fotherby. I have received your letter and have acquainted the King with it, by whose order I will speak to the Prince of Wurtemburg concerning some of the points contained in it, and to the Lords of the Treasury concerning the rest, and will afterwards give you an answer to them. [*Ibid., p. 76.*]

Jan. 28. Warrant to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland for payment of 100*l.* to Sir George Munro in part payment of his pension of 300*l.* [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book 14, p. 437.*]

Jan. 28. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, ordering them to grant letters of marque and general reprisal against French and Irish ships to Captain John Boswell. [*Ibid., p. 438.*]

Jan. 28. London. News letter. The news from Rome of the 20th is that there is no appearance of an accommodation between the Pope and the French King; the Pope insists on the restitution of Avignon, that the bishop of Noyson (?) be set at liberty, that the propositions of the clergy be retracted, and that the propositions of Mademoiselle de Mandeville be revoked. The French demand that the Pope should send out a bull declaring that he has not "directly or indirectly any right upon the temporalities of kings," that he should deliver up all ecclesiastics guilty of treason against his Majesty, that the proceedings against Cardinal Furstemberg be revoked, and that the library of the late Elector Palatine, which is entire in the Vatican, be restored to the Duke and Duchess of Orleans, they being his heirs.

Letters from France say that much wreck and many dead bodies are cast upon their coast, and that some considerable English ships have been forced into Boulogne, which the French King has presented to Mons. D'Aumont, governor of that place.

Letters from Ireland say that since the King's proclamation for permitting all goods to be imported free of duty, our army have had all manner of necessaries at reasonable rates. From Edinburgh they say that Macneal, and about 100 of his followers, have deserted the Highlanders' interest. The Laird (?) of Pollock, who was exchanged for Strauven Robertson, has gone to Glasgow. About thirty sail of English and Dutch ships bound for St. Tubal and Cadiz have arrived at Falmouth under a Dutch convoy. The Queen of Spain arrived at Spithead on the 25th. This day an embargo is laid upon all ships both English and foreign. Many persons are making preparations to accompany the King to Ireland, most of the Irish nobility attending the King as volunteers. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters 3, No. 91, and Greenwich Hospital News Entry Book 2, p. 313.*]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Report by the Solicitor-General upon the petition of Captain George Meese. He has examined the allegations in the petition, and finds that in Easter term, 36 Charles II., a decree was obtained in the Court of Exchequer, whereby it appears that the manor or

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lordship of Stanford Hall, in the county of Essex, was charged with the respective annuities of 40*l.* each to Richard and Robert Petre for their respective lives, and that the said Richard and Robert Petre, being under the obedience of the said late King, went beyond the seas, and were trained up in a popish college, contrary to the law of the land; that the said Richard Petre was attainted of high treason by outlawry, and the said Robert Petre convicted of high treason, whereupon it was adjudged that the terre-tenant of the premises should, for the future, satisfy and pay the same annuities unto his said Majesty, during the lives of the said Richard and Robert Petre. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book, p.* 61.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the Lady Margaret Hay, administratrix of William, late Earl of Kinnoul, stating that by letters patent the Earl should, upon a surrender of the Barbadoes or the Caribbee Islands, have received 500*l. per annum*, for 7 years, and 1,000*l. per annum* for ever, after. Prays for payment of arrears. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, 2, *p.* 173.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Cocks, praying that—as he voluntarily left his ship and effects at Amsterdam, to attend his Majesty into England, and exhausted all he had—he may receive present relief, until he can be provided for in the fleet. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid., p.* 174.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Proceedings on the petition of James Ap Rice. Praying that he, having discovered a method "to improve the Excise to several thousand pounds *per annum*," may have a commission for the counties of Pembroke, Carmarthen and Cardigan. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid., p.* 175.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Proceedings on the petition of Katherine Craddock, praying that her son, Peter Craddock, who served long as a gunner in the Royal Navy and who has now been pressed before the mast, may be restored to his former employment. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Samuel Kempthorne, praying for employment in the fleet, he having served at sea in the last Dutch war under Sir John Kempthorne; he had been master of a merchant ship for 12 years, was taken prisoner by a French privateer, and released by way of exchange. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid., p.* 177.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir John Barker, bart., stating that he is owner of the manor of Walton-cum Trimley, and that there was a ship wrecked on the said manor, which was broken up and her cargo carried away by the soldiers and the deputy-governor of Landguard Fort. Prays that they may be ordered to restore the said goods. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*Ibid., p.* 181.]

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Jan. 28. Whitehall. Commission to ——— Oldys to be lieutenant to Captain Sanderson in Colonel William Beveridge's regiment of foot. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 2.]

Jan. 28. Whitehall. Passes for Mr. Anthony L'Avergne to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; for Gysbert Gerisse, a Dutch soldier, to go from London to Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; for Gerrard Eli and Nicholas Van Uliet, ditto; and for Jan Gerrise, Fran Janse, Claes Pieterse, Garnese, Willem Hubreghsse, and Jacobus Michelse, ditto. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 54.]

Jan. 29. Disposition of money. 4,000*l.* to the Treasurer of the Navy; 550*l.* for Mr. Henry Martin, receiver of the first 12*d.* aid for the county of Worcester, being part of the money advanced by him for buying and hiring engines for pressing and packing hay, &c.; 36*l.* for three weeks' subsistence for the sick in Col. Hastings' regiment, they being to march from Sussex to Leicestershire; payments to various officers; 3,000*l.* to be paid to Mons. Vanderesch, in part of 9,350*l* demanded by his memorial for recruits for the Dutch troops in Ireland; payments on account of the "Danish cloathinge"; 92*l.* to Sir John Morgan for subsistence of the prisoners at Chester, and for the pay of "extraordinary gunners" there; payment on account of the arrears to the "blew regiment of guards," &c. Total sum, 34,708*l.* 11s. 4*d.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 103.]

Jan. 29. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Dean of St. Pauls. Mr. Harrison, who has for some time been chaplain to Sir Thomas Lee, will wait upon you with this, being desirous to make use of my interest upon this occasion. I desire to recommend him to you for some preferment in the church, whenever a vacancy occurs. I am loath to engage in matters of this nature and should have declined but for the good character I have received of this gentleman, seconded by the application of some particular friends. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 247.]

Jan. 29. Whitehall. The same to Admiral Russell. I have just received information that Captain Seymour (as it is supposed, of the Guards) and Captain William Leech, of Colonel Trelawny's regiment, are gone down to Portsmouth, designing to go on board Captain Whitcomb's ship, he having undertaken to carry them to Ireland to serve the late King. The ship is now lying near the point at Gosport, and if all diligence is not used, they will be gone.

I have therefore despatched this messenger to give you this account and "have enclosed the warrant, that even the person who is to execute it does not know the business he goes about; for the information being sent from a nameless person it may be abusive" in which case I would not have gentlemen made a subject of discourse. Therefore I recommend you to use all necessary precaution in employing such as may effectually search this ship, and if such persons be found there, they may be apprehended and given into the custody of the messenger to be brought up with a guard from Portsmouth, and in that case a search should be made for letters or papers, and if there should be any other suspected

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persons, though not named herein, that they also may be apprehended. It is not said positively that the name of the master of the vessel is Whitcomb, but it is that or a name like it. Upon this occasion I acquaint you further, as I formerly had an imperfect account, that in this fleet, outward bound, there were some ships designed for Ireland; if the information is true, it may be a means to throw some light on the subject. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 248.]

Jan. 29. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Colonel Berkeley, stating that, under several Acts of Parliament passed in the reign of Edward VI. and Elizabeth for preventing the growth of popery, all estates, both personal and real, belonging to popish priests or appropriated to superstitious uses, are forfeited to the Crown. There being such estates in Sussex, Suffolk, Norfolk, and Lincoln, he prays for a commission of enquiry to be issued out for discovery thereof. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 174.]

Jan. 29. Kensington. License to John Kynaston, high sheriff of Shropshire, to live out of the said county. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 19.]

Jan. 29. Kensington. Warrant for James Johnson, esquire, envoy-extraordinary to the elector of Brandenburg, and Gregory King, esquire, Lancaster herald of arms, to convey the Order of the Garter to the said Elector. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 178.]

Jan. 29. Warrant for the reprieve of Charles Dering, esquire, convicted of the manslaughter of Henry Goring, esquire. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 180.]

Jan. 29. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Captain Seymour, Captain William Leech, and Captain Whitcomb, at Portsmouth, upon suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices against their Majesties and the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 57.]

Jan. 29. Whitehall. Pass and post-warrant for Captain Labat and Mons. Mordagne, his serjeant, to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; and for Mr. Robert Irwyn, and one servant, to go from London to Bury St. Edmunds. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 56.]

Jan. 30. The Lords of the Treasury to Sir Robert Howard, auditor of the receipt of the Exchequer. Directing the issue of certain sums out of any disposable money. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 99.]

Jan. 30. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Announces the arrival of the *Charles* galley with 30,000*l.* sterling; the captain struck on a rock on the coast of Strangford and nearly caused the loss of some merchant ships which followed him. Details of what he has done with this money: some spent on clothing for the Enniskillen and Du Cambon's regiments. Yesterday I made a division of 30,000*l.* sterling amongst all the regiments and sent some money on account to Van Homrigh [Van Humery.?] for his expenses in carrying provision towards the frontier towns. I have sent Colonel Du Cambon to make some intrenchments, and ordered Colonel Wolseley to advance with most part of the dragoons and cavalry of the Enniskillen troops; near Cavan they took 200 cattle and horses.

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Refers to the enemy's method of recruiting; they take, by force, those that come to mass, and the priests conduct them to the regiments; there is more sickness amongst their troops than amongst ours. Arrangement should be made with the enemy about the exchange of two officers. Is glad that Pereyra has undertaken the carriage of provisions with the army, having always had a good opinion of his capacity. Refers to a dispute he (Schomberg) had in the committee with Lord Halifax on the subject of Pereyra, in which the latter said that Schomberg desired "favoriser ceux de ma nation; surquoy je le repliquay que je le croyois autant de sa nation que de la mienne."

We hear from England that you will leave in March for Scotland and that you will cross from there into Ireland. The passage may easily be made in summer in four or five hours. Expresses joy at the King's intended visit, which will give courage to the troops here, oblige the officers to do their duty better, and so astonish and alarm the enemy that they will be forced beyond Dublin; you will thus soon be able to return to Scotland. Approves also of the King's design to draw troops from around Dublin, Cork, and Kinsale when the enemy assemble their army at or near Drogheda. Need of capable officers. Suggests Beckman being sent to fill Glaum's place. Difficulties of sending provisions into the more distant parts. Van Homrigh, who is faithful, is not capable. Robinson shirks work. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 104.]

Jan. 30, Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Hereford. I have received two of your letters with informations against several persons, which I have sent to the Council that further proceedings may be taken against them. It is necessary to know which of them are committed and to what prison, as also if any of them have been admitted to bail. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 249.]

Jan. 30. The same to Lord Melville. I have presented Joseph de L'Age's petition to his Majesty, who is pleased to order that he be made a serjeant in one of the regiments where he served and was wounded. [*Ibid., p.* 249.]

Jan. 30. Whitehall. The same to Major-General Kirke. Lord Cornwallis has recommended to me the bearer, Edward Crofton, whom Dr. Walker has also certified was an officer, and behaved well at the siege of Derry, I do not question but you retain a kindness for persons of this kind and therefore it will not be difficult to engage your assistance to procure him such employment in the foot as he may be capable of, "for I fear he is not in an equipage to pretend to horse service." [*Ibid., p.* 249.]

Jan. 30. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. The King is informed that on board the *Hopewell*, of London, James Stoakes, master, now lying at "Three Mariners' Stairs, on Rotherhithe side," there is a considerable quantity of lead and other commodities designed, it is believed, for France, the owners being French merchants, and that she intends suddenly to steal away in the night without clearing at Gravesend. His Majesty commands that she be forthwith searched

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and if any such commodities are found on board, which you suspect to be destined for France, that you cause the said vessel and master to be secured. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 250.]

Jan. 30. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Lords of the Treasury. By the treaty with the King of Denmark for his troops, the last payment was to be 120,000 crowns, of which 16,000 crowns, his Majesty has appointed to be paid here to Mons. Rosenheim, who is contented to take after the rate of 4*s.* 10*d.* for the crown and the whole sum to him will be 3,883*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* But Mons. Rosenheim at present desires only 12,000 crowns, so that if your lordships please to give me an order to Mr. Hearne to pay 2,900*l.* I will take care to get Mr. Rosenheim's acquittance for 12,000 crowns. Of the remainder that is to be remitted to Hamburg, Mr. Molesworth has already procured 60,000 crowns to be impressed to the King of Denmark and is engaged to see that sum repaid out of the money that shall be returned from hence, and his Majesty's pleasure is that your lordships give directions to Mr. Hearne to send orders to his correspondent at Hamburg to pay to Mr. Molesworth the said sum of 60,000 crowns; and his Majesty would have the payment of the rest to be deferred. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 76.]

Jan. 30. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Donelan, convicted of causing the death of Alice Beale. States that he, being an officer of the bailiff of Westminster, in executing a legal warrant against the said Alice was assaulted by her, and that by accident, giving her a push, she fell, and through the inexperience of the surgeon, she, about two months afterwards, died. Prays his Majesty's clemency. Referred to Sir William Dolben, one of the justices of the King's Bench, who tried the case. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 176.]

Jan. 30 Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Mary Harward, praying for arrears due for drugs supplied to George Wigmore, deceased, late surgeon of Sir Henry Ingoldsby's regiment. Referred to William Harboard, esquire, Treasurer for the Forces in Ireland. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 30. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Lord Fairfax, praying that he may be constituted governor of the Company of Coal Heavers of London, in the letters patent, about to be granted to incorporate them. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 62.]

Jan. 30. Whitehall. Warrant for the pardon of John Vaughan, of Pantglasse, in the county of Carmarthen, esquire, convicted of the manslaughter of Joseph Binson. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 181.]

Jan. 30. Warrant for payment of levy money for the Earl of Torrington's regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 84.]

Jan. 30. The like for the Earl of Pembroke's regiment. [*Ibid.*]

Jan. 30. Further warrant for payment of levy money for the Earl of Torrington's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 85.]

Jan. 30. The like for the Earl of Pembroke's regiment. [*Ibid.*]

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Jan. 30. Whitehall. Commissions to Thomas Knatchbull, esquire, to be Clerk of the Check and Commissary of the Marine Regiments. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *pp.* 87 *and* 91.]

Jan. 30. Passes for Mr. Gaspar Anthony de Boiselair and Mary Margaret, his wife, to go from London or Harwich to any port in Holland or Denmark [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 37]; for Manginis Frederick Herpstein, servant to Captain Foigil of the guards in Ireland, to go from Chester to Ireland [*Ibid., p.* 56]; for William Janse, Aert Jacobse, and Robert Thomas, Dutch seamen, to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; and for the Sieur Salomen to go from Harwich to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 57.]

Jan, 31. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Events in Holland. Money matters. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 105.]

Jan. 31. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. News is very welcome to me where I have so many French interests to confute. I have had audience at our Court, and am constantly to attend. The loss of Prince Charles at Pristina is a great affliction to this Court, and will hinder it from going to Brunswick. There are letters here that say that some saw Prince Charles wounded, his sword broken, and his horse killed, and some flatter themselves that he is a prisoner; but I think there is little reason for that hope. The Duke has received a letter from Buda that Prince Charles was not found amongst the dead, and that many are taken prisoners. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 160.]

Jan. 31. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Upon the Consul of Genoa's letter, it is his Majesty's pleasure that you cause the ship *St. Antonio* to be arrested as a pirate. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 33.]

Jan. 31. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Stout, praying that having commanded several men-of-war in the time of Charles II., he may have the command of a man-of-war. Referred to the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 177.]

Jan. 31. Caveat that nothing pass in relation to the provision of their Majesty's stables, pertaining to the office of Keeper of their Majesties' Great Wardrobe—a verdict having been obtained, upon a trial directed by his now Majesty in Council to be had at the bar of the Court of Exchequer in Michaelmas term last—till notice be given to the Earl of Montagu that he may be heard by himself or counsel. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 8.]

Jan. 31. The establishment of the two marine regiments. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 90.]

Jan. 31. Whitehall. Warrant to John Grantham to search all printing houses, booksellers' and bookbinders' shops and warehouses and all other suspected places, and to apprehend all authors, printers, booksellers, bookbinders, hawkers and others, found printing, stitching, or crying, any unlicensed, seditious, false, and scandalous books against the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 58.]

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Jan. 31. Whitehall. Pardon for Mr. Paroculus Parmiter, sentenced to death at the Bristol assizes for procuring Edward Lynch to personate Abel Wilton and, in his name, acknowledge a statute of 300*l.* [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 91.]

Jan. 31. Passes for Peter Grimaile to embark at Harwich or in the river for Holland; for Mr. William Buckingham to go from London to Lancaster [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 57]; for Elizabeth Sanderson, with one servant, to embark at Dover for Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 58]; for Gregorias Nienburg to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 59]; and for John Danblart, a Frenchman, to go to Harwich, for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 181.]

[Jan.] [Sir Robert Southwell's] discourse on the methods to be observed for a speedy reduction of Ireland.

England can be neither safe nor happy till the reduction of Ireland is accomplished. It must be done quickly, and it is better to spend 2,000,000*l.* in one year than to spend 1,000,000*l.* for seven years. The King and kingdom of England are in honour bound to be concerned for the protestants of Ireland for all their sufferings proceed from a passionate affection for King William and their adhesion to the protestant religion.

These Irish protestants are the fittest to be employed in the conquest of Ireland; they may be trusted, and are embarked on the same bottom with present Government; they are men of briskness and courage, acquainted with the country and used to the climate, and, above all, "they have, naturally or by custom, an ascendant over the Irish, as, on the contrary, the Irish have an habitual dread of them." These protestants are strangers in the remote provinces, and so the advantages will be much lessened if Munster men be sent to Ulster, or *vice versâ*.

No people in the world are more unanimously engaged to King James than the Irish papists; the number of those fit for war is not less than 120,000. 100,000 of these never had property worth 5*l.* a piece, and they have nothing to lose and so will endeavour to prolong the war. All these will ever hate King William, and be "sticklers" for the Prince of Wales. This vast number of people cannot be subdued for many years, without the assistance of famine and disease. One harbour in Munster, say Kinsale, will be more useful than half the province of Ulster can be.

From all this, I assert that no one army in Ulster can conquer Ireland in less than three or four or, perhaps, seven years, because the ports of Munster being open, the Irish can always get supplies from France, therefore, they must be attacked at both ends of the Kingdom. This descent should be made at the same time that the Duke of Schomberg can advance forward from his winter quarters, which I suppose he may do in February, as Cromwell did, when he was in Ireland, the spring being three weeks earlier there than in England. The great difficulty will be as to forage which must be sent from England.

The place of descent must be Cork harbour: a retreat from there could easily be effected, and in the county of Cork there are 10,000 protestants still resident, who, and their families, would be relieved by an invasion of that part of Munster. If the invading

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force destroys all the corn that it cannot secure and drives the cattle into Ulster, the Irish must soon perish from famine.

The strength of the Irish lies in their horse, and in this we must overpower them by sending, in May or June, 1,500 or 2,000 more horse. The English army being the aggressors, should fight on all opportunities and "shun" the siege of any strong fort, Dublin excepted, because, by wasting the county round about, such fort cannot long hold out. The biggest of our armies should follow King James wherever he goes. Regiments of horse of Ulster men and Munster men should be raised; these, in their respective provinces, would do more service than double the number of strangers; by this means, too, many poor gentlemen would be provided for without further charge. Lastly means should be taken for dividing the Irish, especially after they receive a considerable blow, and a good way to do this will be to make a difference between those who are of English extraction and those that are not, which would make it appear as if this was a national quarrel and not a war of religion. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 106.]

Jan. . [Sir John Trevor to the King] giving his views upon the present Parliament. *Printed in full by Dalrymple.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 107.]

Jan. . List of the forces to be transported into Ireland. *English Horse:* two troops of guards and one of grenadiers, Colchester's and Godfrey's regiments; total 1,302 men and the same number of horses. *Dutch*, ten regiments of guards; total strength 1,417. *Danes*, three regiments, total strength 1,034. *Dragoons*, Berkeley's and Eppinger's: total strength 1,538. *English Foot*, two battalions of guards, and Trelawny's, St. George's, and Foulkes' regiments; total strength 4,140 men, 276 horses; two other battalions of guards, total strength 1,500 men and 100 horses. *Dutch*, Nassau's, Brandenburg's, Talmash's, Babington's and Cutts'; total strength 5,600 men and 300 horses. *Danes*, six battalions, 6,466 men and 416 horses. *Scotch*, four regiments, 3,720 men and 100 horses, and recruits, 4,000 men and 100 horses. Horses for bread carts, artillery, &c. 3,300; 450 bread waggons, and 100 artillery waggons. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 108.]

[Jan.] The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Events in Holland. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 109.]

Jan. Whitehall. Passes for John Lake and Mary Joyce with their necessaries to go from London to Dover or any part of the river and embark for Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 53]; and for several Dutch seamen to go from any part of the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 45.]

Jan. Whitehall. Pass for the ship *Imployment* of London to take French prisoners to France in exchange for English. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 32.]

Feb. 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. His Majesty is pleased to permit the *Dyke* yacht, with 16 men on board, to pursue her intended voyage, and therefore would have her released from the late embargo, for which you are to send directions to the Commissioners of Customs. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 250.]

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Feb. 1. London. News letter. The Duke of Gordon being discharged from his imprisonment, has this day gone to wait on his Majesty at Kensington. It is said the Highlanders are not above 700; they can number 3,000, but they will be commanded by no officers but their own clans. The *Elizabeth* of London has arrived at Plymouth to carry 187 French prisoners to be exchanged for so many English. Our fleet and the Queen of Spain are still at Spithead; the Queen has not yet been ashore. The Duke of Norfolk, Lord Cornbury, and others who went to compliment her have returned from Portsmouth. The *Princess Anne*, of London, has arrived at Falmouth from Jamaica. The captain says they are quiet since the proclamation of the King and Queen. The fleets bound for Cadiz, St. Tubal, Jamaica, and Barbadoes, are ready to sail.

On the 25th of January a proclamation was published at Edinburgh for breaking up the seal of the late King, and ordering a new one, in the names of the present King and Queen. On the 24th two flyboats arrived at Leith with 260 Danes, and on the 26th, 40 sail of Dutch merchantmen came there. On the 28th a packet arrived at Chester from Belfast with Colonel Franks, Sir Francis Edwards, Captain Culliford, and several other officers, to recruit their regiments. Several others are coming from Belfast for recruits. The ships that went with money and clothes for our army have safely arrived there. The army are in good health and have plenty of everything. About 80 ships are at Hoylake awaiting their Majesty's orders. Lady Louth's chaplain has escaped from Dublin; he reports that there is great mortality there, that King James is at Kilkenny, and that his army (through mortality and desertion) is reduced to 10,000 men. About 300 more Danes are landed at Newcastle. The Danish horse that marched from Newcastle was to be at Berwick on the 25th to go to Scotland. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 92, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 373.]

Feb. 1. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, lieut.-general of the Ordnance, to cause 400 Dutch saddles to be delivered to Henry Overkirke. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 3.]

Feb. 1. Kensington. Warrant for letters patent for John Auriol and Peter Fauconnier of London, merchants, for the sole use of their invention of napping woollen cloth for 14 years. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 182.]

Feb. 1. Warrant for Pierre Guenon de Beaubuisson to be "Gentleman of the Bowes." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 183.]

Feb. 1. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of clerk and keeper of the cocquet seal for Dumfries, Kirkcudbright, Wigton, Whithorn, and Stranraer. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 438.]

Feb. 1. The like for a gift of the like office for the water of Clyde. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 439.]

Feb. 1. Kensington. Commissions to Lawrence Clayton, esq., to be captain of the company, whereof Captain Henry Davies was late captain, in the regiment of foot commanded by Col. Charles Trelawny; to James Bush, esq., to be captain-lieutenant of the company in the regiment of foot com-

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manded by Col. Charles Trelawny whereof the said colonel is captain; to Samuel Mitchell, gent., to be lieutenant to Lieut.-Colonel Henry Trelawny in the regiment of foot commanded by Col. Charles Trelawny; to Harry Trelawny to be ensign to Lieut.-Colonel Trelawny's company in the regiment of foot commanded by Col. Charles Trelawny; to Mr. Humphry Lake to be quarter-master of Col. Charles Trelawny's regiment of foot [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 86]; to Stephen Espenns to be lieutenant to Captain William Carew in Colonel William Beveridge's regiment of foot [*Ibid.*, 3, *p.* 2]; to Charles Dakins to be surgeon to the second regiment of foot guards called "the Coldstreamers," commanded by Colonel Thomas Talmash; to James Skinner, gent., to be surgeon to Colonel Foulkes' regiment of foot [*Ibid.*, *p.* 9]; and to Captain Scipio Hill to be adjutant-general of all their Majesties' forces in Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland Warrant Books* 14, *p.* 453.]

Feb. 1. Kensington. Blank commissions for officers in the Earl of Kenmure's regiment. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *pp.* 440 *to* 452.]

Feb. 1. Whitehall. Passes for Margareta Gordon to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 59]; and for Hendryc Sneyrs, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 60.]

Feb. 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Admiral Russell. I sent a messenger to you last week with a letter and warrant enclosed to apprehend two captains; those gentlemen having been seen in town since the information given against them, I find the matter explained thus: there was a quarrel between them and they have acknowledged a design to go abroad to make an end of it, but positively declare there was no ground for suspicion. Therefore, if the messenger has not already left, there is no necessity for his staying longer. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 251.]

Feb. 2. Whitehall. Pardon for John Gold of Milborn St. Andrews in the county of Dorset, indicted upon an outlawry for killing Benjamin Hayward. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 59.]

Passes and post-warrants for William Rowson to go to Portsmouth [*Ibid.*, *p.* 59]; for Captain Balthazar to go to Harwich for Holland; for Mons. Claire to go from Harwich or any part of the kingdom to Flanders; for Mons. Duc to go from Dover or any part of the kingdom for Flanders; and for Captain La Fautille (?) to go from Dover or any part of the kingdom to Flanders and to return. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 60.]

Feb. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. His Majesty being pleased that the like quantity of brimstone be brought to the Straits, for the navy, as was ordered for the Ordnance, a credit may be likewise given for 600*l.* to Vice-Admiral Killigrew, commander of the Mediterranean squadron. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 250.]

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Feb. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Army. Mons. Rapin, of Colonel De Caillemonte's regiment, having served, this last campaign in Ireland, to his Majesty's satisfaction, I am to signify his Majesty's pleasure that he should be presented to one of the first vacant companies in any regiment of foot. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 251.]

Feb. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Alexander Rigby, praying that the Commissioners of the Admiralty may be ordered to suffer the ship *Mauratania* to go on her voyage. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 178.]

Feb. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Benjamin Hicks stating that the ship *Robert*, fitted for Newfoundland and Portugal, was pressed into his Majesty's service to carry 100 tuns of beer to Belfast, and that she was afterwards refitted to go to the Canaries. She is now omitted from the list of ships having leave to sail. Prays that, as he was hindered at first, and not paid for his voyage to Belfast, he may have the requisite leave. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Lieut.-Colonel John Forward. States that, having advised the inhabitants of Londonderry to shut their gates and brought 200 horse to their assistance, his estate was seized, and much of it burnt by the Duke of Berwick. Prays that he may be employed in the King's service in the reduction of Ireland. Referred to the Commissioners for Irish Affairs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 179.]

Feb. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Frederick Weghman. States that he was commander of the *Dragoon* sloop which, in the late violent storm, was driven on shore and lost at Kingsgate, near Broadstairs. Prays the command of another of his Majesty's frigates. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Russell, esquire, praying to be appointed constable of the castles of Carnarvon and Conway. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 184.]

Feb. 3. Whitehall. Passes for John Wolfe, a native of Frankfort, to go from any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *pp.* 42 *and* 58]; and for Jans Thomasz, a Dutch seaman, to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 60.]

Feb. 3 & 4. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Events in Holland. Proceedings in the States, &c. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 110.]

Feb. 4. The Hague. The same to the same. Events in Holland. Plan of campaign for the next season. Discusses proposed representatives of England at the Congress to be held at the Hague. If the Act of Indemnity be passed, Lord Mulgrave would not do badly. Lord Dursley says that Lord Dorset wishes to come. The season advances and we wait your representative. It is not only in the English

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parliament that people are opposed to your campaign in Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 111.]

Feb. 4. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Mr. Wilson has been to see him: he and the Pensionary have the same proposition to make, namely, that record of what has been discussed should be omitted. Points out to the King what a good thing it would be, for all parties, if he could find time to come to Holland; he could settle all difficulties. [*Ibid., No.* 112.]

Feb. 4. Cash account from 30th January. Receipts, including balance, 90,570*l.* 17*s.* 3¾*d.*; appropriated or reserved, 68,864*l.* 1*s.* 3¾*d.*; the balance is treated as "disposable." [*Ibid., No.* 113.]

Feb. 4. Brunswick. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. Pray put my Lord in mind to give me some command to condole with the Duke and Duchess of Hanover for their loss. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 164.]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Bristol. I have received your letter of the 1st inst. with the account enclosed of the disbursements for prisoners, which I have forwarded to the Secretary to the Treasury, who, I doubt not, will pay it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 251.]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Barlow. I have received your letter of the 1st inst., with a libel inclosed, entitled "The Englishman's Complaint." There is no complaint so just as that of the daily and insupportable impertinences of some disaffected persons, who seem to have nothing to do but vent their private discontents in scurrilous reflections upon the Government, which they obtrude on all kinds of persons, though of never so different principles from themselves, as appears in this and many other instances; however, I doubt not but measures will be taken in a short time which will result in the discovery of these busy libellers and bring them to punishment to the terror of all others. [*Ibid., p* 252.]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Colonel Strangways. I have received your letter of the 1st instant with the libel enclosed, which was sent to you; upon which I desire that on all other occasions you shew the same care for his Majesty's service as you have done on this. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 77.]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Colchester. I have received yours of the 3rd instant, with the enclosed libels, and desire you to examine into this matter as far as you can—who sent them and to whom they were designed—and give me an account of what you learn. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the inhabitants and burgesses of the borough of Fowey (?) praying that, having been compelled to deliver up their charter in the late King's reign, they may have a new one granted to them. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2. *p.* 189.]

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Feb. 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Mons. Rosoy, praying for payment of arrears due to him. Referred to William Harboard, esquire, Paymaster-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 191.]

Feb. 4. Caveat that no grant pass to Lord Fairfax, in the business of the coal-heavers, till Mr. Row be heard. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 8.]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. Certificate that Gregory King, esquire, Lancaster herald of arms, appointed to carry the Order of the Garter to the Elector of Brandenburg, kissed the King's hand on his departure, on Sunday the 2nd instant. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35 *p.* 184.]

[Feb. 4. ?] Allowance to William Duncombe, esquire, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Sweden of his expenses from 23rd August 1689 to 10th January 1689–90. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 193.]

Feb. 4. Warrant for letters patent creating William Robinson, of the county of York, esquire, a baronet, with limitation to the heirs male of his body. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 61.]

Feb. 4. Pardon for Richard Coke, gentleman, for the murder of Joseph Ash. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. Commission to Benjamin Daxelhofer, gent., to be ensign to Capt. Thomas Porter in the Duke of Bolton's regiment, commanded by Lieut.-Colonel William Norton. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 16.]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrant for Benjamin Francis to go from London to Bristol; for Peter du Fane to embark at Harwich, or any part of the river, for Holland; for [William] Philpott to embark at Dover for Flanders [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *pp.* 60–62]; and for Mons. St. Vernay to go to Harwich and Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 184.]

Feb. 5. Disposition of money. The payments include 1,000*l.* for two months' pay to the officers from Ireland; 800*l.* to "several French reformed officers," on account; and 1,000*l.* to Mons. Vander Esch for buying horses. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 114.]

Feb. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mons. de Ham. The King being informed that Jean Evart and Jean Pyett, otherwise called Gilliat, grenadiers in the Count de Solmes' regiment, are accused of the murder of a man named Steven Lyddall, and detained prisoners by the guard at St. James' Palace, the Queen desires you to inquire into the matter and report to her. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 252.]

Feb. 5. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. The enclosed petition, with Mr. Attorney-General's report, having been laid before the King, he is pleased to direct it to be transmitted to you with a signification that, if there is nothing to offer to the contrary, you give directions for issuing out commissions of inquiry pursuant to the report. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 253.]

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Feb 5. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Colonel Cutts stating that under several Acts of Parliament for preventing the growth of popery, all estates belonging to popish priests, or appropriated to superstitious uses, are to be forfeited to the Crown; there being such estates in the counties of Bedford, Somerset, Devon, and Cornwall, he prays a commission of enquiry to be issued for their discovery. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition, Entry Book* 2, *p.* 180.]

Feb. 5. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas, Lord Fairfax, praying that several estates in Essex, Kent, Surrey, and Oxford, settled to popish uses, and forfeited under several Acts of Parliament, may be granted unto him. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 181.]

Feb. 5. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas, Earl of Stamford, praying for a grant for discovery of papists' lands. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 187.]

Feb. 5. Warrant to apprehend Mrs. Clifford and others, for high treason, and to seize their papers. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 194.]

Feb. 5. Warrant appointing Bennet, Lord Sherrard, to be lord-lieutenant of the county of Rutland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 62.]

Feb. 5. Allowances of the expenses of Lord Lansdowne, envoy-extraordinary to the court of Spain, from 1st November 1684 to 3rd March 1688–9. The account contains entries for salary, Christmas and divers other gifts, travelling expenses, and various expenses for machines, figures, fireworks, a conduit running with wine, banquets, and plays on the occasion of the birth of the Prince of Wales. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *pp.* 63–64.]

Feb. 5. Whitehall. Passes for Andrew de Chancourt to go to Harwich for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 184]; for Catryn Jeanse to embark at Harwich or any part of the river for Holland; and for Jan Richart and Jan Cornelius Block to embark from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 62.]

Feb. 6. The Hague. The Prince of Waldeck to the King. Military matters. Observations on the proceedings of the gentlemen of Amsterdam and in the States of Holland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 115.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir William Dolben. His Majesty desires that Captain John Auchmouty, Captain William Deans, Captain John Levingston, Lieutenant Alexander Gaune, Robert Johnston, Patrick Cunningham, and James Ennice have their *Habeas Corpus* for removing them from Bury St. Edmunds in Suffolk to Newgate. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 253.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. I send you some letters on behalf of Mr. Squire, the present mayor of Londonderry, who continued there during the siege and, as it appears, by his behaviour received the approval, both of the city and Major-General Kirke, who made him collector of the Customs there, which was confirmed by the General.

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The principal inhabitants have now requested that he be not displaced. I know these applications ought to have been made to the Lords of the Treasury, but they will overlook this error and consider these representations as made directly to them, and have regard to the intercessions of a society which deserves so well of the public. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 253.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Attorney-General. Mr. Francis Williamson, who sometimes goes by the name of Williams, having been lately stopped at Dover on suspicion of carrying letters to several of their Majesties' enemies in France, and some letters having been found upon him and sent to me, I issued a writ of *Habeas Corpus* to bring him up for further examination; accordingly, he was brought before me this morning for that purpose. I found he dealt very disingenuously with me and was not able to make the least colourable defence; for, on being asked two or three several times from whom he received the letters, he positively refused to give any other answer than that he desired to be excused naming the person for fear of the consequences.

He denied knowing anything of a pretended lawsuit mentioned in the letters, though you will see that the letters plainly speak to the contrary, nor would he say to whom he was to deliver them, pretending their only use was that they might be serviceable to him in case of his being taken by a French privateer, as he was going for Flanders, suggesting that his design was to go there, and that he went by the Calais packet to avoid the French privateers. I find he is acquainted with Nevil Payne, as he confesses himself, and that he saw him a day or two before he went to Dover, but will say nothing further, though there is reason to believe he was employed by him in this matter. I understand from the Mayor of Dover that while Williamson was there, he used expressions with respect to the Government which caused them to suspect him as a disaffected person, and I have therefore by this post written to the Mayor for an information what the words were which he used.

Upon consideration, I am of opinion that under the mark of a lawsuit and under the feigned name of Willow, there is a correspondence with and adherence to their Majesties' enemies, and that there is a strong suspicion that this person, in whose custody the letters were found, is guilty thereof. I have thought fit therefore to give you this which is at present as full and particular an account as I have, and I leave it to you to give such further directions as may be most for their Majesties' service and as the nature of the case may require. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 254.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I find by your letter of the 26th past that when Mr. Francis Williamson came to Mr. Bastink's to go over to Flanders, he used some expressions which made Mr. Bastink suspect him as a disaffected person; therefore I desire you will inquire what the words were. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 255.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. A proclamation appointing the persons, named as Commissioners in an Act entitled "An Act for a grant to their Majesties of an aid of two shillings in the pound for one year," as Commissioners

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under the Act entitled "An Act for review of the late poll granted to their Majesties and for an additional poll towards the reducing of Ireland." [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 40.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. A proclamation for dissolving this present Parliament, and declaring the speedy calling of another. [*Ibid., No,* 41.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Lawley, gentleman, praying for a grant of the goods of Thomas Addington of Northampton, a *felo-de-se.* Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 182.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. Warrant to Col. Beaumont to swear John Hugett as gunner at Dover Castle in the room of John Crayden. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 87.]

Feb. 6. Warrant for the gift of a pension to 100*l.* sterling to Mr. David Scrymgeour, keeper of their Majesties' signet. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 453.]

Feb. 6. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, receivers of their Majesties' rents in Scotland, for the payment of 50*l.* sterling to Mr. David Scrymgeour, keeper of their Majesties' signet. [*Ibid., p.* 454.]

Feb. 6. The like for payment of 300*l.* sterling to Sir John Dalrymple. [*Ibid., p.* 455.]

Feb. 6. Whitehall. Pass for Mr. Isaac de St. Didier to go to Harwich for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 184.]

Feb. 7. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. I arrived here last night with the Duke of Wolfenbüttel to see the Electress of Brandenburg. I shall return to Zell in the latter part of next week. They are disappointed in the Elector of Saxe's so absolutely refusing to comply with their requests. The news of the King's journey makes the well-wishers of France look blank, though from the dissolution of the Parliament, they hope for some advantage. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 168.]

Feb. 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Redding, stating that he has been long in prison for speaking against the late King James, thereby losing above 200*l.*. Prays for a grant of horse and arms to serve his Majesty. Referred to the Commissioners for the Army. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 181.]

Feb. 7. Passes and post-warrants for Lieutenant Bresac and Jacob Surle, a serjeant, to embark at Harwich, or any part of the river, for Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 59]; for Mr. Thomas Lowther to go from London to Heddon and to return; for Mr. James Drew and John Davis, his servant, to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; and for Lord William Pawlet and two servants to go from Winchester to Basingstoke. [*Ibid., p.* 64.]

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Feb. 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Melville. I have received a character of Sir Peter Fraser (who, it seems, went, about a fortnight since, for Scotland) which describes him as disaffected to his Majesty's Government; he has said that the present administration discourage all honest and good people and employ none but ill men, with many similar expressions. Thinking this account of him, by the ingenuous manner of the persons from whom it came, as well as from other circumstances, to be very just, I acquaint you of it, so that you may give directions that a strict watch be kept on his actions, to see if any of them will corroborate the suspicions that have arisen. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 255.]

Feb. 8. Kensington. Quartering orders for the Earl of Torrington's regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 887.]

Feb. 8. The like for the Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery's regiment. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 8. Warrant appointing John Tombes, gentleman, clerk of the peace for the liberty of St. Albans in the county of Hertford. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 65.]

Feb. 8. Blank Commissions for officers in the troop of life guards in Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *pp.* 456, 457.]

Feb. 8. Blank Commissions for officers in the Earl of Eglinton's troop of horse. [*Ibid., pp.* 457, 458.]

Feb. 8. Blank Commissions for officers in the Master of Forbes' troop of horse. [*Ibid., pp.* 458, 459.]

Feb. 8. Blank Commissions for officers in Capt. Gordon's troop of horse. [*Ibid., pp.* 459, 460.]

Feb. 8. Warrant for a gift of the office of sheriff of the shire of Inverness to Ludovic Grant of that ilk. [*Ibid., p.* 460.]

Feb. 8. Docquet of a blank warrant for a gift of the office of sheriff of the shire of Dumbarton. [*Ibid., p.* 461.]

Feb. 8. Docquet of blank warrant for a gift of the office of sheriff in different parts of Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 462.]

Feb. 8. Kensington. Blank warrants for gifts of the offices of commissary of the commissariats of Lauder, Brechin, Hamilton and Campsie, Peebles, Selkirk and Roxburgh, the Isles, and Moray. [*Ibid., pp.* 463 to 465.]

Feb. 8. Docquet of a warrant for the gift of a yearly pension of 100*l.* sterling to William Anstruther, as one of the senators of the College of Justice. [*Ibid., p.* 465.]

Feb. 8. Commission to the Laird of Grant to be colonel of the regiment of foot under his command. [*Ibid., p.* 466.]

Feb. 8. Blank commissions for officers in the Laird of Grant's regiment. [*Ibid., p.* 466 to 472.]

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Feb. 8. Warrant to the Lords of the Privy Council of Scotland to give order to the General Master and "Remanent" Officers of the Scotch Mint for coining five several "species" of silver coin, all which are to be coined at the standard of fineness of 11 deniers, 2 grains, conformable to the Act of Parliament made in the Session of Parliament holden at Edinburgh in the year 1686, concerning the Mint and free coinage.

Every one of the said five several species is to have our effigies with the following inscription round them, *Gulielmus et Maria Dei gratia*, and to have the respective values marked under our effigies in arithmetical figures. The five species are to be, first, a 60*s.* Scots piece, weighing 21 deniers, 18 grains, 10 primes, and 18 seconds, according to the denomination of the Mint weights, with the inscription, *Magnæ Britanniæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Rex et Regina*, abbreviated as before, with the current year of our Lord; which inscription is to serve for the other four lesser species. The second is to be a 40*s.* Scots piece weighing 14 deniers, 12 grains, 7 primes and 4 seconds. These two larger pieces are to be lettered round the edges with the motto or inscription, *Protegit et Ornat—Anno Regni Secundo.* The third is to be a 20*s.* Scots piece weighing 7 deniers, 6 grains, 3 primes and 14 seconds. The fourth is to be a 10*s.* Scots piece, weighing 3 deniers, 15 grains, 1 prime and 19 seconds. And the fifth is to be a 5*s.* Scots piece, weighing 1 denier, 19 grains, 12 primes and 21 seconds. The three last lesser pieces are only to be grained round the edges. These coins are to be made use of in our mint aforesaid until we shall declare our pleasure to the contrary. And it is our further pleasure that our said mint be opened with all possible speed for the benefit of our subjects. The fit and due time that the same can be opened, we refer to the General Master and Remanent Officers thereof, to acquaint you therewith. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 472.]

Feb. 8. Warrant for a new gift of the tack of the lordship of Stirling to the Earl of Mar. [*Ibid., p.* 473.]

Feb. 8. Whitehall. Post-warrants for Don Gaspar de Lerruz to go from London to Salisbury [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 64]; for Captain John Bigg to go from London to Huntingdon; and for Francis Carr to go from London to Exeter. [*Ibid., p.* 66.]

Feb. 9. Warrant to affix the Great Seal of England to commissions appointing Sir Richard Ryves, knight, Richard Pyne, and Robert Rochford, esquires, to be Judges of Oyer and Terminer in Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 69.]

Feb. 9. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants to Mr. Lewis Essart to go from London to Scotland; and for Nicholas Willemse to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 66.]

Feb. 10. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. When the States assembled this morning, a document was read which had been sent by two of the Pensionaries, setting forth their privileges in justification of their pretensions; this document had also been sent to all the nobles

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and to the towns. Discusses the situation at the Hague and the differences of opinion, which are there prevalent; matters are in the same condition as they were in 1650. Refers to Mons d'Ameronyen's anger against the Jews. Asks the King to give a commission, as captain of a vessel, to Nicholas Tens on the recommendation of Mons. d'Edam; states that his brother holds an important office in Amsterdam. Refers to borrowing transport vessels. My position at the Hague is a very disagreeable one. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 116.]

Feb. 10. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the same. Since it is your intention to pay the Enniskillen and Londonderry regiments as the English regiments, they must be put on a better footing. Hitherto they have had licence to rob and steal; that is why Col. Russell could not take with him all the Enniskillen troops I had ordered to seize and hold the post of Sligo.

Lieut.-Col. Ross, of Wynn's dragoons, goes to England to buy saddles. Harboard should give him the money he wants. Lord Lisburn leaves immediately on leave given him by Lord Shrewsbury's letter. The clergy of this country care little for their parishes. Observations on recruiting: Colonel Grender is in difficulties on the subject. The officers should be sent back here quickly with recruits, particularly those of the infantry, and you should send the Danish infantry. The cavalry need not hasten, because of the lack of forage.

The enemy seem anxious to make an entry into these parts with a portion of their army. Movements of the enemy and orders thereon to Col. Stewart. The most part of the war-ships we had with us have gone off towards Liverpool and other ports. Asks for a good officer for the artillery in the place of Glaum. Holloway, who now commands it, is, I believe, the only good officer we have. Ignorance of the Tower authorities as to arms.

The enemy endeavour to keep Dundalk. I learn that Tyrconnel, with the Duke of Berwick, is expected in a few days. Their march at this time of the year must be ruinous to their troops. Discusses the probable future movements of the enemy, and again urges hastening the departure of the Danish infantry.

Col. Cambon showed me a letter in which it appears that Harboard is not pleased with him; the dispute is about a bill of exchange for 800 guineas. I believe Harboard is known as being interested in England as well as here, and I cannot exaggerate the prejudice to your service caused by his not paying the arrears of his officers. I am glad you have made a contract with Pereyra. I have asked at the Tower for money to support the artillery, and I have borrowed for expenses so far. I hope that it may not be necessary to rely on Harboard for the maintenance of the artillery.

As you have ordered me, by a letter of the Committee of Ireland, to pay "les officiers reformez" who served in Londonderry and Enniskillen, it is necessary that I use discrimination, as many quitted those places when they found themselves a little pressed and are now troubling you in London. I suggest offering to the officers who have been reduced (*reformez*) from these three English regiments,

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half-pay in the regiments in which they have now been incorporated. The number of them will not be great, for they are all anxious to go to England.

Asks for money to buy horses for the company that the King has allowed him for his regiment. There are no war-ships to hinder the enemy receiving supplies from Brest and other sea-ports. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 117.]

Feb. 10. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. I do all I can for the restoration of my health in order that I may be more fit for the King's service. I see, by your letter, that you do not approve of my raising the four companies as I proposed, but that you consent to the levy of one ; suggests arming this with rifles instead of blunderbusses. Count Schomberg has written to me from London and from the Hague, of the many favours you have shown him, and that he will do all in his power to render you service in the next campaign. *Holograph.* [*Ibid., No.* 118.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. I desire you will acquaint the Lords Commissioners that his Majesty is pleased to direct a credit to be given to Mr. Cox, his envoy in Switzerland, for the sum of 2,000*l.* ; as soon as it is despatched, I have orders to send it express to Zurich, there being immediate occasion for it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 256.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. The same to the Lord Mayor of London. Taking into consideration that the Jews residing in London carry on, under favour of the Government, so advantageous a trade, it was thought that they ought to be called upon to shew their readiness to support that Government by advancing such sums of money under the late Acts of Parliament as they are agreeable to lend. They have been asked what they are willing to furnish towards supplying one of their brethren, Mons. Pereyra, in part of the contract made with him for providing bread for the army and have made an offer only of 12,000*l.* which is below what his Majesty expected from them, and he directs you to send for their elders and principal merchants to let them understand the obligations they are under to his Majesty for the liberty and privileges they enjoy, and how much it is to their advantage to make suitable returns of affection and gratitude for the kindness they have received and may expect. And since the money demanded carries with it more than the ordinary interest allowed, it was supposed they would, without difficulty, raise among them 30,000*l.*, or if not that amount, that they could not propose less than 20,000*l.* ; and his Majesty believes that, upon second thoughts, aided by such representations as your Lordship may make to them, they will come to new resolutions and such as may be accepted by his Majesty. [*Ibid., p.* 476.]

Feb. 10. Kensington. The King to the Lords of the Exchequer of Scotland, adding the Earl of Drumlanrig to their number [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 256.]

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Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of James Herbert, praying for a grant of the lease, held by Sir Edward Scott, from the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury, of the rectory and tithes of Milton, *alias* Middleton, in Kent, which lease has become forfeited to the Crown by the treason of the said Sir Edward. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 63.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edmund Norden, showing that there was a petition, sometime since, presented to his Majesty at Hampton Court, desiring him to accept a surrender from Thomas Tudor of a patent granted to the said Thomas during his life, and to grant one, during his Majesty's pleasure, to his friend, the petitioner; which petition was referred to the Treasury where it lay a long time unread. Mr. Tudor being dead, petitioner prays that his case may now be taken into consideration. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 64.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Elizabeth Richardson, praying for a bounty, her husband having been killed in an engagement at Bantry Bay. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 182.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Burdett, late prebendary of Limerick Cathedral, stating that he had lost nearly 200*l.* *per annum*, and that his wife, "big with child," was murdered by the Irish before his face. Prays that, in consideration of these losses, the deanery of Limerick, now vacant, may be conferred on him. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Richard, Earl of Ranelegh, stating that for these four years past he had had the care of overseeing the building of Chelsea Hospital, for which he had never received any profit. Having planted an orchard there at his own charge, of about 7 acres, prays for a long lease thereof, at 40*s.* per acre. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 183.]

Feb 10. Whitehall, Proceedings upon the petition of the shipwrights, caulkers, joiners, house-carpenters, and other artificers and labourers of his Majesty's yard at Deptford, praying for payment of 13 months' arrears. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Cromby, John Ker, and Hugh Scott, pilots, praying to have 6 months' arrears of pay. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Nicholas Makell, pilot-extraordinary, praying for 6 months' arrears of pay. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 184.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Lane of Bentley in Staffordshire, esq., praying for the payment of a pension of 500*l.* *per annum* granted to him by Charles II. in consideration of his father's services. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

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Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of James Greenham, overseer of works in St. James' Park, praying for payment of 100*l.* for work done, and his own salary. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 185.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Locke, stating that Charles II. conferred on him the office of the Secretary of the Council of Trade and Plantations. Prays for payment of the arrears of his salary of 600*l. per annum.* Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 186.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Britain of Wolvercot, Oxfordshire, praying for an almsman's place in Oxford Cathedral. Granted. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 192.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Elizabeth Windham, nurse to King Charles II. Prays for subsistence. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 208.]

Feb. 10. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mons. le Grange and Mons. Lesperance, soldiers in Mons. La Melloniere's regiment, to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; for Captain Conningsby to go from London to Hereford; for Susan Pass to go from any part of the river or Harwich to Holland; for Cornelis Tenguagell, ditto. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 66]; for John Moone to go from London to Exeter; and for Roger Bassett to go from London into Glamorganshire. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 67.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Order to Sir Nicholas Slaning to take an exact account of the present number of the regiment of Col. Holt now at Plymouth, designed for the West Indies, the King being desirous that it may go thither complete. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 100.]

Feb. 11. Cash account similar to that of Jan. 28. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 119.]

Feb. 11. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Affairs in Holland and conduct of the States. Prospects of forming a party in the Council of State. Laments the death of Glaum and discusses a successor. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 120.]

Feb. 11. The Hague. The same to the same. Awaits, with impatience, the King's instructions for his conduct and as to his return to England. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 121.]

Feb. 11, Brunswick. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. I cannot rejoice at the King's journey to Ireland, but he knows best. These Princes show great concern for him here, where all the family is at present, except the Duke and Duchess of Hanover. The Electress of Brandenbourg has come here to comfort her mother. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 172.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Governor of Berwick. The King being informed that several disaffected persons are lately gone from hence to Scotland, and that more are preparing to follow them, who

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are justly suspected of ill designs against the peace of these Kingdoms, I am commanded to signify to you that you keep watch upon all passengers and give strict orders to apprehend all such as are found travelling to Scotland without passes and cannot give a satisfactory account of themselves. *Similar letter to the Governor of Carlisle.* [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 257.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The same to Mr. George Harris. The Earl of Bellomont intending to stand as burgess of your borough of Wyck [Droitwich] for the ensuing Parliament, I desire you will give his lordship all the assistance you can in his election. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Bailiffs of Wyck. A like letter to the foregoing. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Bishop of Down and Connor. The King having received a very good character of Mr. John Winder, is pleased to recommend him to your lordship for the precentorship of Connor in your diocese. [*Ibid., p.* 258.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Ranelagh. The King being moved upon the inclosed petition, his commands are that the petitioner be paid for the time past the usual allowance of a town-major out of the contingencies of your lordship's office The enclosed papers, and the gentleman who attends you with this, can give all the information you may require. [*Ibid., p.* 258.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. In answer to a message from the Lords of the Treasury to know if I had any further directions to give about the ship *Hopewell,* of London, James Stoke, master, I desire you will acquaint them that all I know concerning the matter is that the King being informed that she had a considerable quantity of lead and other goods on board, which were destined for France, directed their lordships to be acquainted with it, that she might be searched. Which being done, if their lordships are satisfied in the matter, and shall think fit to let her proceed on her intended voyage, I know of nothing to the contrary. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your letter of the 8th instant with some inclosed papers, which apparently belonged to the late Judge Milton; their contents being unimportant, if the trunk contains nothing but what you mention, I see no reason for detaining it. [*Ibid. p.* 259.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. Mr. Cox desiring some gold and silver medals of their Majesties and a quantity of new guineas to be sent him into Switzerland, you will please to move the Commissioners of the Treasury to give orders for 40 gold, and 150 silver medals, with 100 guineas, to be forthwith got ready, and the value of them to be taken out of the 2,000*l.* lately allotted him. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 11. London. News letter. Letters from France say that the States General have declared to the Marquis De Castanaga that the damages they sustained in the last campaign will hinder them from assisting him

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in the next in Flanders. They have published in the ports in France a free commerce with Holland. Great preparations are making for the French King's journey, which it is said will be on the 2nd of April. They have made a detachment of 50 men out of the several regiments of guards, one company of grenadiers, 1,000 Swiss under the command of Mons. Seguiran; and twelve other officers of the guards are ordered to march to the frontiers of Flanders, where they pretend to have, before the Confederates can take the field, the body of an army with which they will do some action and then return and act only on the defensive. It is manifest that he [the French King] is in great straits for money; for he has written to all the bishops, churches and monasteries to send in their vessels of plate to be made into money. A ship is ordered to Algiers to redeem 100 slaves. Lord Waldegrave, who resided in France as envoy for the late King, died at St. Germains on the 14th; Mr. Skelton succeeds him.

A vessel has been cast away on the rocks of the Farn Islands; it is thought all the men are lost. She was a Dane with foot soldiers, or a Dutch vessel with recruits from Scotland, several bayonets and small arms having been cast on shore. From Edinburgh, it is said that both armies in Ireland have suffered exceedingly with the distemper; so much so that without good supplies there can be little done by either. The Enniskillen men desired the Duke of Schomberg's leave to raise 6,000 horse and 6,000 foot, but he refused them. They then addressed themselves to Lieut.-General Douglas to intercede with the King, but he satisfied them that there would soon be a substantial recruit from England, and also that four Scotch regiments were to arrive. General Mackay had a letter from the Secretary of War in England, who says that 2,000 horse and 1,000 dragoons from England were going to Kircudbright, Lothian, and Port Patrick to embark for Ireland, and that 1,000 Germans were also going there. About the 3rd instant, General Mackay received a letter from Colonel Cannon, commanding, in which he desires that Macgregor, nicknamed the "hawkett-stricks," a prisoner in Edinburgh, may be delivered to him, in exchange for whom, he will send him all the prisoners he has in the Highlands. One regiment of Danish horse has come to Edinburgh, two troops are at Berwick, and the rest are on their march. The Duke of Lorraine has declared war against France, to the end that he may be included in the treaty of peace, when it shall happen to be made. Lord Blany, being sent as a particular messenger from Ireland to the King, died at York on his way here. His papers were secured and are sent up to the King. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 93, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 316.]

Feb. 11. London. News letter. The *Oxford* and *Bonaventure* have arrived at Plymouth from Spithead; the former is to join the fleet with the Queen of Spain, the other is to convoy the merchant ships that are there, and at Falmouth, bound for London. On the 6th, a Swedish and a Hamburger man-of-war came into Plymouth with a convoy of 18 sail, bound for Spain and Portugal, and also three Dutch vessels with four French prizes; two of which were going from Ireland to

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France, the other two from France to Ireland. When these letters came from Plymouth, there were there 350 merchant men, being English, Dutch, Danish, Swedish, Hamburgers and Lubeckers, bound for Spain, Portugal and the Straits; they want to join the fleet with the Queen of Spain.

The *Advice* and *Dartmouth* were ready to start for Ireland, where they will cruise. Letters from Lisburn of the 30th ult. say that Gustavus Hamilton, governor of Enniskillen, has been at Lisburn about a fortnight, to answer for the escape of Major-General Macarthy. One hundred and twenty of the Derry men of Colonel St. John's regiment went from their quarters at Armagh to Charlemont, surprised the sentinels, killed five of them, and carried three others prisoners and took a great number of cattle. On the other side, those of Charlemont have made several sallies, burnt several houses and villages, taken several of our men prisoners and killed others. On the 26th ult., 300 of Colonel Stewart's regiment went as far as Mayragh Castle and brought from the enemy 500 head of cattle, 100 horses, 200 goats, and about 100 swine, which they sold to one man for 500*l.* sterling. They saw no enemy but sorry creatures who were keeping the cattle, who immediately ran away at the approach of our men.

Major-General Scravenmoer has gone to view the garrisons of Coleraine, Derry, and Antrim. Captain Hearn, two lieutenants, two ensigns, five sergeants and 65 soldiers were ordered to Newry out of the Earl of Meath's regiment, and private orders have been sent to all the frontier garrisons to require them to have special care of their charges. One hundred protestants have enlisted in the Earl of Meath's regiment, who, during these troubles, held out in a small castle belonging to Sir Thomas Newcombe, in the county of Longford, but about a fortnight since, wanting ammunition, they surrendered, upon terms to march out with their arms and to be conveyed to the next protestant garrison. Sir Thomas Newcombe's wife was in the house at the siege. Some French arrived at Belfast to recruit Colonel Cambon's regiment, and brought 3,000*l.* to pay the army. Some gentlemen from Dublin say that some officers are sent to Scotland. The Marquis of Halifax has lain down his privy seal and all other public employments. Yesterday Lords Castlemaine and Salisbury were admitted to bail. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 94, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 319.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Henry Vane, praying the grant of a piece of ground, called Webb's ground, adjoining to St. James' Park wall, being in length 400 feet or thereabouts, the same belonging to the Crown. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 185.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of David Venables, praying that having been fined, several years since, for endeavouring to set up protestant gentlemen for Parliament, satisfaction may be entered upon record. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 186.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir John Rotheram, knight, praying that having served as a Baron [of the Exchequer], he may be paid his salary. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid. p.* 186.]

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Feb. 11. Whitehall. Report upon the petition of the Carpenters and Joiners of Worcester, praying to be incorporated. Directions to the Solicitor-General to prepare the heads for a charter of incorporation. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 187.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Richard Reeves, Sir Francis Brewster, and others, praying for a grant of forfeited lands of such as are in rebellion, or of lands held from the city of Dublin, by lease or otherwise, and for the forfeitures of papists in rebellion. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 188.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Adam Murry, stating that he was a colonel of horse at the siege of Derry, where the horses were destroyed for want of forage. He then served on foot and headed most of the sallies. Prays that his commission may be continued to him and the officers who served under him. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 193.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Ambrose Cooke for uttering scandalous and seditious words against their Majesties and the Government. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 68.]

Feb. 11. Warrant to John Webb and Thomas Webb to preserve the game within 10 miles of Whitehall. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 94.]

Feb. 11. Whitehall. Summons to Sir Peter Rich, Richard Wild, Benjamin Crayle, John Salisbury, John How, Joseph How, James Ashwood, John Darby, Langley Curtis, John Shirley, John Deagle, Samuel Puller, Roach Geary, Rebecca Bond, and Thomas Braddyll to appear before the Earl of Shrewsbury. [*Ibid.* 5, *p.* 67.]

Feb. 11. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Sands Chapman to go from London to Harwich and Holland; for the servant of the Earl of Bellomont to go from London to Worcestershire [*Ibid.*]; for Vincent Pastery, Anthony Raffa, and Joseph Manzone and a maidservant, to go from Chester, in the packet-boat or other vessel, to the north of Ireland; for Neellie Gillis, with five children, to go from any part of the river to Holland; and for Archibald Henderson and Andrew Henderson to go from any part of the river, or from Harwich, to Flanders. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 68.]

Feb. 12. Disposition of the sum of 40,762*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* for various services, including 144*l.* to Mr. Charnock Heron, being money laid out by him in buying horses for Colonel Beveridge's dragoons; 230*l.* to the officers of Colonel Churchill's regiment, who are in England raising recruits; 200*l.* to French reformed officers who have come from Ireland wounded; 351*l.* 8*s.* "for subsistence for several of the wives and families of the four French regiments;" and 1,000*l.* on further account of 9,350*l.* for Count Nassau's regiment. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 122.]

Feb. 12. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Zachary White, John Arnway, Richard Bolton, and John Starkey, stating they were wrongfully indicted for causing a riot, breaking into the prison at Stafford and

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liberating the malefactors and felons; they pray that a *nolle prosequi* be entered. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 185.]

Feb. 12. Whitehall. Pardon for William Beckwith, convicted at the Huntingdon assizes of causing the death of Robert Moretown, in 1687, and respited. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 71.]

Feb. 12. Whitehall. Warrant to revoke letters patent granting the office of Keeper of the Privy Seal to George, Marquis of Halifax, and to grant the same to William Cheyne, esquire, Sir John Knatchbull, bart., and Sir William Pulteney, knt. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 72.]

Feb. 12. Whitehall. Pass for Susanna Chamberlaine and William Chamberlaine, and Mary Walker and her children, to go from London to the Isles of Scilly and to return. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 68.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. A letter from the King to the Bishop of London, to be circulated throughout the provinces of Canterbury and York. We require you to examine into the lives and learning of those desiring to be admitted into holy orders, to see that the clergy are resident in their livings, and to admonish them to religiously observe the canon as to sober conversation. You shall order the clergy to preach frequently against those particular sins and vices which are most prevalent in this realm, and, on every Lord's Day on which such sermon shall be preached, they shall also read such statutes as are provided against such sins; these statutes we have ordered to be printed, together with this letter, that they may be transmitted by you to every parish in the realm. You shall also require all churchwardens to impartially present all those guilty of adultery and fornication. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 53, *p.* 235,]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Bishop of Lichfield. Having understood your lordship's kindness to Mr. Baker, in bestowing on him a vacant prebend in the church of Lichfield, I ought to bear my share in the acknowledgments, as I had a part in recommending him; and, though it is scarce decent to make one favour a ground to ask another, yet now that you have begun to cast an eye towards him, I hope you will consider his numerous family and narrow circumstances a reason for remembering him when a prebendal house shall fall to your disposal. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 259.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Dean of Lichfield. I am glad you had so lucky an opportunity of recommending Mr. Baker to the Bishop. According to your advice, I have acknowledged this and desired the further kindness of a prebendal house. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 260.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. The King having directed the sending of 2,000*l.* to Mr. Cox, his envoy in Switzerland, you will please order the payment of that sum to him for extraordinary service, deducting out of it the necessary fee and the value of the 100 guineas, desired by Mr. Cox to be sent in specie. As to the medals he writes for, I understand they cannot be ready

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so soon as it will be necessary to despatch the messenger, who must not be stayed for them. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 260.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. Having taken notice to Major Wildman of the dangerous correspondence still being carried on with France, as well by letters as messengers passing backward and forward from several places on the coast, and inquiring of him what ways he thought proper for detecting and suppressing the same, he told me he had a proposal to offer to you which he believed might be effectual for this purpose; and though I am assured you will receive any information of this matter without other recommendation and give it all necessary despatch, yet due care in this matter does so nearly concern me in particular, and is of that consequence to his Majesty's service, that your lordships will excuse me if I make it my request that you will take this into serious consideration, and, either from what the Major has to offer, or what your own thoughts and observations may suggest, you will please to direct that if the present officers in those parts cannot be quickened up to the zeal and diligence that the time requires, some others may be employed for a trial of what can be effected by change of hands. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I understand by Mr. Bastinck that there is little care taken at Dover in examining and searching such passengers as come over in the Calais boats, though many of them are fit to be suspected; for which it is pretended that the orders given are only to search those that go from hence. However those orders are understood, or if none such have been given, it is very reasonable and requisite that, in time of war, those who are intrusted with a care of a passage should have a strict account of all who come from an enemy's country; his Majesty's pleasure is, therefore, that all persons, as well coming from France as going thither, be searched for letters and papers; and that those, against whom there is suspicion, be secured. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 261.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Governors of Christ's Hospital. Mr. Alexander Fort, the King's joiner, being desirous, in regard of the great abilities of the "mathematick master" at Christ's Hospital, and "of the extraordinary proficiency of the youth who are bred under him," that his son may be admitted into that school to learn mathematics, paying for the same, which it seems, he not being of the foundation, cannot be done without leave of Government, I would move you in his behalf for leave that it may be done, as I am informed has been usual. I should be glad, as an encouragement to this person, who is willing to give his son so liberal an education, that, in case there is any room for my recommendation in this matter, he may have the benefit of it. [*Ibid.*, *p* 262.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. I have received your letter of the 12th instant with informations against Stocker and Leach, about their endeavouring to transport lead and other commodities to France, and having the French King's pass found in their custody, upon which I find you have committed them to prison, all which I

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have this day laid before the King, who approves very well of what you have done, and further commands that, in case it be not already done, you charge them with high treason in adhering to their Majesties' enemies, and take care to have them proceeded against for the said crime at the next assizes. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 263.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to "some Justice of the Peace, near Suitor's [Shooters ?] Hill." Having received informations upon oath against Charles Goodship, living at Suitor's Hill, in your neighbourhood, for speaking scandalous and seditious words against his Majesty and the Government, to prevent the charge and unnecessary trouble of bringing him up hither I thought fit to send you the original information, desiring you to issue your warrant against him and to take care that he be further proceeded against in such manner as the law directs. [*Ibid., p.* 263.]

Feb. 13. Kensington. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, requiring them to issue a proclamation for continuing the adjournment of Parliament from the 1st to the 18th March next. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 477.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. Warrant to pay to Gideon Royer, "writer, flourisher, and embellisher," his account of 10*l.* for writing, flourishing, and embellishing, one skin of vellum with the King's arms, ornaments, and badges, and for gilding, writing and adorning the superscription, most part in gold, and for gilding and painting the labels for the seal, being for a letter sent to the Czar of Russia. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 185.]

Feb. 13. Whitehall. Certificate that Thomas Cox, esq., envoy-extraordinary to the Swiss Cantons, took leave of his Majesty on the 6th of August. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 69.]

Feb. 13. Passes and post-warrants for Mons. Daniel Savoy and Maria Antau to go from Harwich to Holland; for Daniel Couillette, ditto; and for Mr. John Gibbins to go from London to Lancaster. [*Ibid., p.* 69.]

Feb. 14. Dromore. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. News from Dublin and from Col. Stewart, whose camp is near Newry, of movements by the enemy has led me to come here. Details the steps taken on receipt of the news. The King will do well to send the Danish infantry to Ireland. Complains of want of war-ships to act as convoys, and of the conduct of the commanders of the war-ships. Complains also of the badness of the arms sent from the Tower. Has borrowed all he can for the subsistence of the artillery. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 123.]

Feb. 14. Kensington. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland adding the Earl of Forfar to their number. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 478.]

Feb. 15. Kensington. The same to the same. Adding Lord Strathnaver to their number [*Ibid., p.* 479.]

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Feb. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Peter Guenon de Beaubisson, gentleman of the bows and guns, and keeper of the private armoury at Whitehall, showing that 100*l.* a year was always allowed to his predecessors for keeping his Majesty's arms in the private armoury, which allowance was formerly paid upon the establishment of the household, and, after, by privy seal at the Exchequer. He was sworn and admitted in the said office at Lady Day last past. Prays that the said allowance may be paid to him from the 30th of April last. The King, being disposed to gratify the petitioner, refers the petition to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 65.]

Feb. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles, Lord Lansdowne, Sir Gabriel Sylvins, knight, Sir Thomas Deerham, knight, and Edmund Poley, showing that they have served the Crown several years as envoys in several parts, and now remain unpaid for a great deal of their said services, by which means they have contracted great debts which have become so enormous that the petitioners are daily in danger of being brought to trouble through the same. Pray that his Majesty would be graciously pleased to direct the present payment of their said arrears, or grant them Exchequer tallies according to the late Acts of Parliament, that the prospect of such payment may stay the importunity of their creditors. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 67.]

Feb. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Stephen Thompson to alter the prayer of a former petition as to money due to his Majesty on certain bonds. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 188.]

Feb. 14. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Thomas Neale, esq., to go to Andover, or Petersfield, in Hampshire [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 186]; for Giles Petit, a Frenchman, to go to Harwich for Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 187]; for John Jordan to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 67]; for Mary Frans and Mary Proef to embark at Harwich or in the river for Holland; for Thomas Budd and William Windham, gentlemen, to go from London to Salisbury; for James Clarke, senior, and James Clarke, junior, Dutch seamen, to go from any part of the river Thames or Harwich to Holland; for Charles Kenge, King's messenger, to go to Zurich in Switzerland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 70]; for Mr. Richard Gee to go from London to Hull, and to return [*Ibid.*, *p.* 71]; and for Lieutenant Adam Malafosse with Peter Malfos (*sic*) and Peter Mascall to embark at Chester, or any part of that coast, for Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 72.]

Feb. 15. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Asks when he is to return. The time of your departure [for Ireland] drawing near, fills your friends with alarm and encourages your enemies. The action of the magistrates of Amsterdam is still doubtful. Has conferred with Webbenum and the Prince of Waldeck who think the garrisons of Mons and Charleroi should be reinforced and that magazines should be established at Brussels and Namur. Opinions as to the campaign on the Continent. Referring to English news, he doubts not that "les Wigs" will be much cast down at the Prorogation of Parliament.

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Lord Sunderland has not been here. Has seen Sir Nicholas Butler, who did not speak about returning to England. Has received complaints from Rotterdam. Count de Solms says he is returning to England. Is anxious to hear when the King leaves England. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 124.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Major Wyth. The Earl of Bellomont intending to stand as burgess for Droitwich, where you have a voice in the election, his lordship believes it would be of great use to him if you could be prevailed upon to go down with him this next week; and, having already concerned myself in writing to the town, I wish I could do him this further service to engage you to accompany him thither. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 263.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. Having received information of five Frenchmen, who are designed to be sent into England "for villainous purposes," I send you inclosed the descriptions of them, that if any such persons arrive at Dover, whether from France or Flanders, or under the pretence or attestations of their being protestant refugees, they be apprehended and secured till further order. *Enclosure :—*

"*Montbrun, of moderate stature and stubbed curled brown haire, round visaged, and swarthy complexion, about* 25 *years old, cloathed in a dark coat of a slate colour.*

"——— *of the family of Saule, kinsman to the Marquis de la Milliere,* 18 *or* 19 *years old, tall and well shaped, long visaged, and full of freckles, with a fair perriwig and a light gray cloath coat and a red waistcoat with silver galon.*

"——— *from Lyons,* 30 *years old, pretty tall, full faced and very swarthy, a long browne perriwig and dark gray cloathe.*

"*Provennall, a chyrurgeon,* 22 *or* 23 *yeares of age, tall and slender, dark visaged, a large forehead, and a forked chin, with his own haire, black and long, which he commonly weares tyed up, and a sad coloured suit.*

"——— *a chyrurgeon, tall and slendér,* 20 *yeares old, an oval face, pretty full marked with the small pox, and freckled, with a faire perriwig which he tyes behing (sic) with a bag; he weares a dark coloured suit, lined with red.*" [*Ibid., p.* 264.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. Warrant for a Commission to Richard, Viscount Lumley, to be Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Durham. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 186.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. Commission to Alexander Forbes to be ensign to Captain Vanbrook, in Colonel William Beveridge's regiment of foot. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 2.]

Feb. 15. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. Samuel Travers to go from London to Penzance in Cornwall; for Cuyntie Wynants to go from Harwich or any part of the river to Holland; for John Verhage and Elizabeth Verhage, ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 71]; and for Samuel Serse to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 73.]

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Feb. 17. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Colonel Wolseley has beaten the enemy at Cavan. The entrenchments at Belturbet. Great lack of money. 2,000 or 3,000 Danish Infantry should be sent here, as the enemy seem inclined to attack our most advanced positions. From all I hear from Dublin, the news is confirmed that the enemy send officers and soldiers into Scotland; I have therefore sent back Sir Henry Bellasis to his regiment, which I stationed on the coast and in the Isle of Rathlin. Troops ought also to be placed on the coast of Scotland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 125.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Radnor. A caveat having been desired in your lordship's name that notice might be given you if any grant were passing of your constableship of Carnarvon Castle, I thought fit to acquaint you that Mr. Russell's petition for that office has been some days since referred to the Treasury, from whence I understand it is sent to the Auditor to make a report of the quality and usefulness of this office, and, if it be thought advisable to continue it, the warrant will issue in the Treasury, where the applications are to be made for obtaining it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 265.]

Feb. 17. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Requesting them to grant protection against being pressed to Thomas Budden of Fawley in Hampshire, mariner, a witness for Mr. Arundell, son of Lord Arundell of Wardour, in a suit to be tried at Westminster. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 33.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Hugh Hamilton and Allen Cathcart stating that they, being agents for the Enniskillen men, at their own expense [went] to Scotland for a supply of arms and ammunition, and being willing to return to serve his Majesty, desire a supply towards their equipment. Referred to the Commissioners for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 188.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Skerving, [Irving?] Scotchman, stating that his brother served on board the *Garland*, William Wright, commander, but the said captain has turned him over, in an arbitrary manner, to the *Guinea* to sail to Guinea. Prays for redress. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 190.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. Warrant to the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury to grant dispensation to Thomas Dent, M.A., chaplain in ordinary and vicar of the parish church of Lenton, otherwise Lavington in the county of Lincoln, to hold, together with the said vicarage, the rectory of Stalbridge in the county of Dorset, notwithstanding their distance apart. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 57, *p.* 237.]

Feb. 17. Whitehall. Warrant to arrest Mrs. Conway and Lady Oglethorpe (the latter passing under the disguise of a servant to the former), who left Chester on their journey to Ireland with traitorous and seditious papers in their possession. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 73.]

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Feb. 17. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Mons. Lesage and Mons. Portal to go from Harwich, or any part of the river, to Holland; for John Slack to go from London to Gloucester; for David Bonnet to go from London to Basingstoke [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 72]; and for Peter Grimes, gent., to go to Harwich for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 187.]

Feb. 18. Cash account similar to that of 28th January. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 126.]

Feb. 18. An abstract of the Duke of Schomberg's demands. The total amount of what is demanded 106,308*l.* 12*s.* 5*d.*; the value of what is in store, 25,175*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*; the value of what is to be provided 72,975*l.* 6*s.* 9*d.* *Endorsed by the King* "Duke of Schomberg's demands." [*Ibid., No.* 127.]

Feb. 18. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Describes the condition of affairs at Amsterdam. Opinions of military leaders abroad as to the conduct of the next campaign on the Continent. [*Ibid., No.* 128.]

Feb. 18. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The last letters from Vienna say positively that Prince Charles is taken and carried to Constantinople; the news comes from several prisoners that have ransoms, one of whom was a captain under the Prince, but none of them saw him a prisoner, but they were told by the Turks that they had given 200,000 dollars to the Tartars for him. The Duke and Duchess are much comforted. They have marked out fortifications at Ratzburg, which is the chief pass on the Elbe in the Duchy of Sax Lawenburg, but nothing is yet begun. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 176.]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Morgan, or the Commander-in-Chief for the time being, at Chester. Being informed that the Lady Oglethorpe and Mrs. Conway are this day set forward from hence for Chester in the stage coach (the lady going under the disguise of Mrs. Conway's servant), and that they have several papers of dangerous consequences about them, so that there is just reason to believe it is in order, by one way or other, to get over into Ireland upon some ill design, I have thought fit to give you notice of it by this messenger, who goes on purpose, and to recommend it to you that when the coach comes in at Chester you will take care strictly to examine all the passengers. It will be necessary to be very careful in the search that shall be made for her papers, there being no doubt but she will contrive the best way she can possible to conceal them. The inclosed warrant, I leave to you to make use of as you see occasion, though I would not have it executed unless there be a proof of their being guilty of what is alleged therein either from what shall be discovered by their papers or by their endeavouring to transport themselves to Ireland, it being to no purpose to take them into custody if nothing can be made out which may be a sufficient cause for their further prosecution. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 265.]

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Feb. 18. Whitehall. The same to Captain Hammond, deputy-governor of Landguard Fort. The King is informed that, about a month since, a vessel was wrecked upon the coast of Suffolk, within the manor of Walton-cum-Trimley, whereof Sir John Barker is lord, and that some soldiers belonging to Landguard Fort have, by your order, seized the said vessel, broken her up and carried what cargo they could into the fort. His Majesty commands me to let you know he is satisfied that all wrecks within the precinct of that manor (except on any part of the ground on which the fort is built), do of right belong to the lord of the manor, and therefore, in case the said wreck was not upon any part of that ground, as is suggested, his Majesty would have you give orders forthwith for the delivery of the said wreckage to Sir John Barker, and that, for the future, he be permitted quietly to enjoy the benefit of all such wrecks as shall happen within the said manor. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 266.]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. The same to Lieut.-Colonel Hawley and George Wingfield and Captain Charles Wingfield. Mr. Maurice Bowen, having lately petitioned the King to make him a lieutenant and producing a certificate signed by you on his behalf, his Majesty directed, if you think him qualified for the employment he seeks, that some of you recommend him to Lieut.-General Douglas for that purpose. [*Ibid., p.* 266.]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. The same to the Attorney-General. One of his Majesty's chaplains desiring a royal dispensation to hold two livings, being without the distance mentioned in the Act of Pluralities, I desire you will let me have your opinion whether it can be legally done, notwithstanding that clause in the late Act of Right which relates to the dispensing powers. [*Ibid., p.* 267.]

Feb. 18. Whitehall. The same to Sir Robert Holmes. Some time since you promised you would engage you interest in the behalf of Mr. Russell, as member of parliament for the Isle of Wight, but now I understand he will be chosen for Portsmouth. I therefore give you notice of it, that you may make use of your interest otherwise. [*Ibid., p.* 267.]

Feb. 18. Exemplification of an order and warrant, dated respectively 30th January and 4th February, for the arrest of Hesketh Hobman, commander of the *Swan*, to answer and make satisfaction for the damage accrued to his Majesty's subjects, by reason of the 4th article in the Treaty of Peace made between the Crown of England and the Governor of Tunis, in not defending, as far as lay in his power, several passengers and goods belonging to Tunis and Algiers, on board his ship, but suffering them to be seized and taken by Mons. Ferraud, commander of a French pinnace, in the port of Milo without fighting or making any resistance. [*H.O. Admiralty* 1, *No.* 2.]

Feb. 18. Passes and post-warrants for Claude Gueraudet, a Frenchman in the Duke of Schomberg's regiment, to go to Harwich for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 187]; for Francois de Collembergh to go from Dover or Harwich to Flanders or Holland [*H.O.*

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Warrant Book 5, *p.* 72]; for Captain Francis Nicholson to go to Deal; for Jan Withers to go from Harwich, or any part of the river, to Holland; for John Stevens, a messenger, to go from London to Chester [*Ibid., p.* 73]; for James Innes to go from London to Wortley, in Yorkshire, and to return; and for Henrick Hooswaerts to go from Harwich, or any part of the river, to Holland. [*Ibid., p.* 74.]

Feb. 19. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Refers to the important matters which occupy his attention with regard to European affairs; despite all this, it is necessary to remind you that we have no money to pay the troops here, and that there is six weeks' subsistence due to them. Neither is there any money for the artillery. Sir Henry Goodrick has no money to buy the things comprised in the memorandum which Glaum carried with him.

I see by a letter, written from the Tower to Controller Halloway that the French have taken a ship that had been sent from the Tower laden with powder and bombs, and two mortars; I hope others will be sent in their place, and that Beckman may be appointed to Glaum's post. Refers to the intended movements of the enemy and to sending the Danish cavalry from England. The arrival of the Duke of Berwick at Cavan was to prepare for the assembly there of a *corps d'armée* to attack Belturbet. Our success at Cavan has retarded this design; Colonel Wolseley reports that, in the fight, the Duke of Berwick's horse was wounded, but that he himself was not hurt. I leave here to-morrow for Armagh.

Mons. de Scravenmoer will tell you, better than I can write, of the negligence of the commanders of the war ships; had they done their duty, the enemy could not have held out in Dundalk. Hears that they grow weary of that place, and thinks that it might be taken with a force of 4,000 or 5,000 foot. Our men are badly clothed, not having received the overcoats which the Committee of Ireland mentioned in their letter. Need of recruits and of money. Captain Baume, who bears this dispatch, was at Dundalk with Sir John Lannier, and is well spoken of by him. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 129.]

Feb. 19. Disposition of 31,824*l.* 15*s.* 11*d.* for various services, including 3,200*l.* to answer a bill of exchange of Mr. Schulenburg's, due the 8th instant, drawn for the regiments of fusileers of Fitzpatrick, and for the Irish prisoners; 700*l.* to answer a bill of exchange; a payment to Mons. la Barr for buying tents and arms for the Danes, being part of 2,000*l.*; and 435*l.* 9*s.* for Mr. Teal, apothecary-general in Ireland, for medicines. [*Ibid., No.* 130.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Henry Capel. The King having signified in Council his pleasure that I should take care of the speedy settling the militia under my lieutenancy of Hertfordshire, as the law directs, and in the meantime to give him and that Board an account of the condition of the militia of that county and particularly how furnished with arms, I desire that, as you have the sole management of that affair, you give me an exact and full account accordingly. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 267.]

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Feb. 19. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Hussey, to be communicated to the Turkey Company. I have laid your petition before the King, who is unwilling to increase your charge and burthen your trade; but his service requiring some other person to be sent to supply Sir William Trumbull's place at Constantinople, his Majesty would have you apply yourselves to the choice of some persons for this employment to be proposed to his Majesty for his approbation. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 269.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Sotherne. I desire you will acquaint the Commissioners of the Admiralty with his Majesty's pleasure that James Hamel, who brought letters from the Emperor of Morocco, should be allowed a passage in one of his Majesty's ships designed for the Mediterranean, in order to his return with the King's answer. [*Ibid., p.* 269.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Dawson, esq., praying that, in consequence of his great losses in Ireland, amounting to 6,000*l.*, he may receive some weekly subsistence. Referred to the Committee for Irish affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 189.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. License to Mr. Cox to print and publish a book written by him entitled *Hibernia Anglicana, or the Second Part of the History of Ireland.* [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 74.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, knight, Lieutenant-General of the Ordnance, to send Charles Middleton, esq., with ministers and clerks, to take an exact account of the expenditure and remains of the stores in Ireland. [*Ibid., p.* 75.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to James Manners, a messenger, to receive from Captain Potter of the *Constant Warwick* the persons of Edmund Berry, Henry Dawson, John Long, and Garret Berry on suspicion of dangerous and treasonable practices against the Government. [*Ibid., p.* 76.]

Feb. 19. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for the Sieurs Vanden Enede and Anderman to go from Holland to Harwich; for Mons. de Lorte and Jan Merle to go from Harwich to Holland and to return; for David Francis Hory to go from Harwich, or any part of the river, to Holland; for Mr. Henry Buttle, servant to Sir Edward Windham, to go from London to Ilchester (?) [*Ibid., p.* 74]; for Messieurs Luquet, Danes, Marquuis, Augin, Antoni, Luquet, Beamins, and Nicholas Marquois, French merchant refugees, to go from Chester or Liverpool to Hoylake for Ireland [*Ibid., p.* 76]; for Hugh Broughton, esq., Mr. Thomas Brookhouse, and Mr. Capell Wall to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 77]; and for Captain John Barrington, to go to Oxford and Hereford. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 187.]

Feb. 20. Portsmouth. George Hamilton to William Blathwait. Having received notice by Captain Wright that the frigates for the West Indies were ready to receive the recruits out of the battalion of the Duke of Bolton's

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regiment at Portsmouth to fill his other regiment designed for the West Indies, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Holt, I ordered the battalion to draw up yesterday morning, Major Nott viewing them, and ordered on board 20 men from each of the six companies. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 101.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Deputy-Lieutenants for Worcestershire. Similar letter to that on the subject of the militia of Hertfordshire, of the 19th inst. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 268.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. The same to John Rumsly. I have received your letter of the 15th instant concerning Stocker, lately secured upon account of the French King's pass, which is answered in my last to the Mayor, except that part of it which relates to having the ship, to which Henry George belongs, searched, upon suspicion that the French King's pass may be found on board her. If the Mayor had such a suspicion I cannot imagine what difficulty he could make of doing it by virtue of his own authority. However, if it be not yet too late, it is his Majesty's pleasure that she should be searched, and, if such a thing be on board, that the person in whose custody the same is found be secured until such further orders as may put a stop to a practice so highly criminal and of so dangerous a consequence to the public. [*Ibid., p.* 268.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Bowyer. I have heard of the great inclination in the county of Stafford to chose you as one of the knights of that shire, and I hope so good a man will not decline the service of his country, and I think nothing will be wanting to secure the election but to declare your intentions in time. [*Ibid., p.* 269.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Macclesfield. I send you the copy of a letter which I wrote, about two days since, by a messenger to Sir John Morgan, concerning Lady Oglethorpe and Mrs. Conway, to which I am now to add that I have this day received a confirmation of the whole matter; and further that the Lady Oglethorpe, under the disguise of Mrs. Conway's servant maid, intends to go directly to Sir John Conway's house, in hopes, some way or other, of getting from thence into Ireland. If she cannot succeed, then she intends for my Lord Bulkeley's to try what she can do there. Wherefore his Majesty commands me to acquaint you that he would have you use all possible means for seizing and securing the said Lady Oglethorpe and Mrs. Conway till his further pleasure be known, and that special care be taken in searching for their papers, which I desire your lordship will order to be sealed up and transmitted to me with an account of your proceedings herein. [*Ibid., p.* 270.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan or the Commander-in-Chief at Chester for the time being. Similar in effect to the foregoing. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 20. London. News Letter. From Edinburgh, we are advised that, at the mouth of the Clyde, was seized a ship coming from Dublin for France, in which letters and papers were found in the custody of

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one Straughan directed to Hamrah and Peters of Glasgow, from one Bell, in Dublin. It is thought that the ship lost to the southward of Berwick is part of the Dutch convoy. Provisions are preparing at Barnstaple for the fleet. Letters from France say that, on the 13th, the following cardinals were created, viz.:—Pantiatici, Bishop and Patriarch of Jerusalem; Cantalini, a Neapolitan, now Nuncio in Poland; Dada, Archbishop of Armesia, late Nuncio in England; Rubini, the Pope's nephew and Archbishop of Bologna; Forbini, Bishop and Count of Buvois; Emperiali, a Genoese, Treasurer of the Chamber; Costagula, a Roman, Clerk of the Chamber; Judici, a Neapolitan, Clerk of the Chamber; and Albani, a Roman, Clerk of the Briefs. The Duke of Lorraine has published his reasons for declaring war against France. He intends to enter Lorraine with an army of 4,000. On the 20th Mons. Lauzun started for Brest.

The Court at Constantinople has declared that they will not make peace till after the next campaign. The Prime Vizier, having a great treasure, begins to pay the troops that served in the last campaign. The Marquis de Uxaells is made Governor of Luxemburg; Mons. Chatman, the late governor, is to command the body of an army on the frontiers of Italy. The dispute in Amsterdam concerning the choosing of their officers, their stadtholders not being present, is composed. Sir Josepn Williamson, and Mr. Clark were yesterday chosen members for Rochester, and Sir Edward Hungerford and Major Parry for Shoreham. Mons. Lockman, captain of the French King's Swiss guards, and the Protestant officers of the same regiment, are commanded to return with 50 men to their own country on pain of death. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 95, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 321.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. Proclamation of a general fast for the prosperity of the King's arms in Ireland to be observed on Wednesday, 12th March, throughout England and Wales. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 42.]

Feb. 20. Allowance to William, Lord Paget, envoy-extraordinary to the Emperor of Germany, of his expenses from 6th September to 6th December, 1689. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 187.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for a commission appointing Richard, Viscount Bulkeley as *Custos Rotulorum* of Anglesey. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 189.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for an allowance of 2*s.* a day, for a servant, to Simon de Brienne, housekeeper, at Kensington. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 20. Kensington. Blank commissions for officers in the Laird of Grant's regiment of foot. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *pp.* 479—492.]

Feb. 20. Whitehall. Commission to William Cheyne, esq., Sir John Knatchbull, bart., and Sir William Pulteney, knt., to be commissioners of the Privy Seal. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 77.]

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Feb. 20. Passes for the Sieur de Baucen to go to Holland; for Mons. Soubiras to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for the Sieur Salomen, ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 76]; for Mons. Preugne, an officer in Mons. de Caillemot's regiment, ditto; for Capt. Richard Needham, Capt. Cuthbert Wilkinson, and Ensign John Lee to go from London to Chester; for Timothy Betton to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 77]; and for Richard Boyle, esq., to go to Salisbury [*Ibid.*, *p.* 78]; for Thomas Webb, esq., to go to Malmesbury; and for Stephen Aumede, a Frenchman, to go to Harwich for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 187.]

Feb. 21. Statement of what is due to clear certain regiments and companies upon the English establishment to the 1st January, 1689–90; the total amount is :—61,299*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 131.]

Feb. 21. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. I have heard from Lord Paget that he has returned, and I shall not fail to give him the best account I can, and in cipher when necessary. I am very uneasy with my secretary which will hinder me from ever taking a Frenchman for the future, for I shall be forced to do most of my business myself. There are letters here from a captain which were "way taken"; he saw and spoke to Prince Charles. The eldest Prince talks of going early to command his father's troops in Flanders. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 180.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. Dr. Walker, who is going to Ireland, asks a permission to carry over his horses and other things mentioned in the enclosed paper. I desire you to procure him the necessary directions in this behalf. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 271.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Elizabeth, Dowager-Duchess of Albemarle, praying that, as the office of seneschal and steward of the honour of Clitheroe, Tottington, and Blackburnshire in Lancashire and Yorkshire were granted by Charles II. to George Duke of Albemarle, the grant to Lord Brandon may be stopped. Referred to the Attorney General of the Duchy of Lancaster with instructions for the said grant to be stopped till the said Attorney General's report be made. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 67.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William, innkeeper of the Crown Inn, Kensington, praying that some of the King's horseguards who owe him money may be ordered to pay the same. Referred to Mons. Overkirke, captain of the fourth troop of horse guards and to Viscount Lumley, captain of the first troop of guards. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 189.]

Feb. 21. A memorandum that a warrant was issued for the appointment of John Gellibrand as a messenger of the press, in the same terms as that granted to John Grantham on the 21st of January. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 78.]

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Feb. 21. Allowance of the bill of John Gellibrand, messenger. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 78.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. Certificate that Sir Thomas Dereham, envoy from the late King James to the Duke of Florence, returned into the King's presence on the 12th of January last. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 78.]

Feb. 21. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Simon Chapman to go to Harwich and Holland and to return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 191]; for Mr. Carry to go to Flanders; for Catryn Willemse to go to Harwich, or from any part of the river, for Holland; and for the Earl of Drumlanrig, his company and servants, and seven able post horses, and a guide to go from London to Scotland and return. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 78.]

Feb. 22. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Has received the King's letters of the 14th and 17th instant, and is sorry for the "incommodité" with which the King has been attacked, but hopes it will contribute to his health. Hopes the King will be able to find persons whom he can charge with some of his affairs. The King will receive a long account from the Pensionary of "our great affair" in Holland, on which the writer comments at length. What the King has done will cause a great change in the aspect of things. Letters received by the last post from London, and the discourse of the King's enemies in this country, testify that it is and will be to the King's advantage. The King will see by the enclosed that the friend mentioned does him no good by those letters. Mons. de Zitters has put a clause in his [letter] which was read yesterday in the Assembly, [but] which has done no good nevertheless—"that as for the merchant ships lying in Plymouth and Portsmouth, a fair wind had again blown over head in vain," &c. Thanks the King for the favour shown to his brother-in-law in giving him the regiment of the Count Lippe. Is impatient to return that he may testify his gratitude for all these benefits done to his family. A postscript relating to military matters. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 132.]

Feb. 22. [The Hague.] Memorandum of the contents of a letter written by [the Earl of Portland to the King]. Refers to the strange behaviour of Mons. de Bevirning and other news from Holland; the provision of tents, &c. [*Ibid., No.* 133.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Oxford. I am informed that there are now at Oxford three hogsheads of shoes which were provided by the late King's orders for the use of the army; I desire you to enquire concerning them and send me an account thereof to be laid before his Majesty. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 271.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your letter of the 19th instant. Enquiring of Mr. Smith how it happened that the keeper of Dover prison was sent away unpaid, he tells me he did not refuse to pay him, but took exception to his demands of 12*l.*, there being only 3*l.* lately required for bringing up a man in custody from Romney. He thinks, besides, that this keeper incurred a charge

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with these two men in town, which might have been spared; however, he is ready to pay whatever is reasonable, and if he and the person employed to receive the money cannot agree on the sum, he will submit it to Sir Samuel Astrey, Master of the Crown Office. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 271.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. I have received a letter of the 19th instant concerning Stocker and Leech with the enclosed copies of their first and second commitment, which, for your further satisfaction in that matter, I have shown to the Attorney-General who approves of them and is clearly of opinion that the crime for which they are thus legally committed is not bailable by law, and therefore, whatever attempts may be made towards it, I presume nobody will be so ill advised as to admit them to bail. But Mr. Attorney says that this fact (which is accepting the French King's pass) being committed out of the realm is not triable here, but by special commission; so that you need not take any further care about the prosecution of them, but only continue them in safe custody till his Majesty's further pleasure be signified therein. Assures the Mayor that the Government is able, and will be ready to justify and protect all persons in any legal act they shall do for the safety thereof, and in due and vigorous execution of the law. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 272.]

Feb. 22. The same to Sir Thomas Earle. I have received your letter of the 17th instant, enclosing an affidavit concerning the ship *Ellinor* which I have transmitted to the Commissioners of the Customs to give directions therein, who I doubt not will give all necessary orders for the discharge of her. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 272.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of Customs. The enclosed concerning the ship *Ellinor* (now under an imbargo at Bristol) having been sent me by the last post from Sir Thomas Earle, the owner of her, I have thought fit to transmit them to you to give such directions therein as you shall think fitting. She was first stopped upon suspicion of having goods on board designed for France and upon a search made the French King's pass was found in the custody of one of the seamen; however, if you are satisfied that she is bound for Bilboa, as is pretended, and not to any port in France and shall think fit to let her proceed, I have nothing to offer to the contrary. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 273.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Treasury. The King has been moved upon the inclosed petition, and is disposed, as the petitioner is discharged from the employment of his spaniel keeper, to allow him consideration for his disbursements upon the house, which he held as belonging to the said office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 273.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Blathwait. Having moved the King upon the enclosed petition of Mr. John Adolphi, his Majesty was pleased to declare that Mr. Adolphi should be paid his salary for the month of November last and so continued upon the present establishment of Ireland until his Majesty should employ him in some other service. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 78.]

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Feb. 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Thomas Chichley, showing that he was the first discoverer of a title in the Crown to certain derelict lands near the Humber; for finding whereof, he sued forth a commission in the reign of the late King James and prosecuted the same, till, by refusing to comply in the matter of the penal law and the test, he fell under the displeasure of the said late King. Having renewed his petition to his Majesty, it was referred to the Treasury before whom it still remains. Prays that the said commission may be suspended, and that his Majesty will be pleased, on the report of the Treasury, to give such direction for the petitioner's encouragement as to his Majesty shall seem meet. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 68.]

Feb. 22. Kensington. Warrant for Sir Nathaniel Powell to be a King's counsel. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 191.]

Feb. 22. Kensington. Warrant for a ratification and new gift to George, Lord Melville to be principal and sole Secretary of State for Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 492.]

Feb. 22. Warrant for a new gift of a yearly pension of 400*l.* to George, Viscount Tarbat. [*Ibid., p.* 494.]

Feb. 22. Docquets of blank warrants for gifts of the office of commissary of the commissariat of St. Andrews, Dunkeld, Dunblain, and Stirling. [*Ibid., pp.* 495 *and* 496.]

Feb. 22. Docquet of blank warrants for a gift of the office of conjunct-commissaries of the commissariat of Ross, to Alexander Graham of Dreny and Mr. David Fearn of Pitcallion. [*Ibid., p.* 497.]

Feb. 22. Kensington. Docquets of blank warrants for a gift of the office of commissary of the commissariat of Caithness and of Orkney. [*Ibid., p.* 498.]

Feb. 22. Docquet of a blank warrant for a gift of an office of commissary. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 22. Warrant for a new gift of the office of Knight-Marshal of Scotland with a yearly fee of 400*l.* to John, Earl of Kintore and his second lawful son, John Keith. [*Ibid., p.* 499.]

Feb. 22. Warrant to Sir Patrick Murray and James Oswald, receivers of their Majesties' rents in Scotland, for payment of 50*l.* sterling to Mr. Henry Alcorn, Assay-Master of the Mint. [*Ibid., p.* 501.]

Feb. 22. The like for payment of the arrears of the pensions formerly granted to Margaret Johnstoun, widow of Sir John Wemyss of Bogie, and Helen Johnston, Lady Graden. [*Ibid., p.* 501.]

Feb. 22. Warrant for a commission to Sir Alexander Bruce of Broomhall to be Muster-Master-General of all their Majesties' forces in Scotland. [*Ibid., p.* 501.]

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Feb. 22. The King to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland directing them to pay an allowance to the said Sir Alexander Bruce as Muster-Master-General. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 502.]

Feb. 22. Docquet of a warrant for a gift of the "assize herring of the east seas" between Berwick and Parton Craig upon the water of Tay to James Melville of Cassangray. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 503.]

Feb. 22. Warrant for a ratification and new gift of the office of clerk to all commissions for plantations of kirks and valuation of teinds to Mr. John Buchan, advocate. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 503.]

Feb. 22. Warrant for a grant to William McLean of the office of Master of the Revels in Scotland for life, giving power to him and those whom he shall appoint, not only to licence the acting and representing of tragedies, comedies, tragi-comedies, interludes, masks, plays, music and all other entertainments and performances of the stage, whatsoever, within the whole bounds of the kingdom of Scotland, but also the licensing of all public trials of skill in the science of defence, all puppet shows and plays of that nature, the public showing of monsters and other strange shows, mountebanks, vaulters, tumblers, rope-dancers and other exercises of the rope, pricking books, bull-baiting, bear-baiting and all other private and public shows of whatsoever kind or nature where the spectators pay money, lotteries being excepted; also licence to erect theatres in any part of Scotland, and to gather together a company of players who shall be the servants of the King, to be reformed, reduced, modelled and governed by the said William McLean at his pleasure.

And it shall, be lawful for the said William McLean, upon any just occasion, to commit the person of any one or more of the actors or others under his authority, to any ordinary prison, and upon the offenders giving him satisfaction, to liberate them, without any other fine or punishment, and also to create his own officers for executing his orders. And all magistrates and keepers of prisons are to receive and keep in prison those whom the said William McLean shall commit, and detain them till he shall order their release. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 505.]

Feb. 22. Warrant for a gift of a new additional yearly pension of 200*l.* sterling to Henry, Lord Cardross. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 507.]

Feb. 22. Docquet of a warrant for a gift of the escheat of Sir James Campbell of Lauvers to his eldest lawful daughter Jane Campbell. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 508.]

Feb. 22. Whitehall. Commission to Captain Thomas Smith appointing him to be exempt and eldest captain of the second regiment of troop of the horse guards whereof James, Duke of Ormonde is captain and colonel. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 11.]

Feb. 22. Passes and post-warrants for Captain De La Croix to go to Harwich, or from any part of the river, to Holland; for Lieut. Pelat, ditto; for Dr. Walker and Mr. Crow, to go to Chester, Liverpool or Hoylake, for Ireland; for the Sieur de Royere, Peter Royere, and

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Augustine Solatier to go to Harwich, or from the river, to Holland; and for Francis Trefusis, esq. and Mr. Haly to go to Northamption. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 79.]

Feb. 23. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. The King commands me to acquaint you that he would have you give order for inserting the following persons in the commission of the peace for the county of Essex:—Sir Anthony Abdy, Sir William Lukin, Henry Ayloffe, esq., Edward Bullock, esq., Sir Thomas Fanshaw, and Sir John Marshall. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 78.]

Feb. 23. Whitehall. The same to the same. The King commands you to insert in the commission of the peace the following persons; as justices of Merionethshire:—Sir John Wynn, bart., Sir Robert Owen, knt., Griffith Vaughan, esq., Hugh Nanny, esq., Lewis Owen, of Pengarth, esq., Owen Anwill, esq., John Lloyd, esq., and John Vaughan, esq. As Justices for Denbighshire:—Sir John Wynn, bart., Sir Richard Middelton, bart., Sir Evan Lloyd, bart., Edward Brereton, esq., Edward Vaughan of Llangedwn, esq., William Williams, esq. *Custos Rotulorm*, William Wynn of Melay, esq., Thomas Carter, esq., Randolph Wynn, esq., attorney-general, and Ellis Lloyd, esq. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 79.]

Feb. 23. Pass for Captain Richard Wolseley to go to Chester, Liverpool or Hoylake, for Ireland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 79.]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to ——— Major Rosoy, a French refugee (who has for many years served in the French army and made the last campaign in Ireland as a reformed officer in La Meloniere's regiment) having petitioned the King for a vacant company in one of the French regiments under your command there, the King is pleased to recommend him. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 273.]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Stephen Godfrey. Praying, in consideration of his services in Ireland, to have a command in the army. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 190.]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the "Reformed Officers" and quarterly pensioners, stating their miserable condition and praying for 10 months' arrears of pay. Referred to the Earl of Ranelagh. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Clarke, praying for payment of 803*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* for timber supplied by his father, in 1671, for Chatham yard. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 191.]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Beesly, praying that Patrick Lamb, one of the King's cooks, may not be sheltered from paying 250*l.* due to two orphan children. Referred to the Board of Green Cloth. [*Ibid.*]

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Feb. 24. Whitehall. Proceeding upon the Attorney-General's report on Mr. Venable's petition. The report states that in 1682 three informations were preferred in the Crown Office against the petitioner for making and selling several little bottles, small cups, snuff boxes, tumblers, and other small things of impure and base silver, not up to the standard, for which offence he was ordered to stand in the pillory and fined 500*l.* Being unable to pay the fine, he was, for four years, closely imprisoned; but two years ago, during a contest about the Marshal's place, he escaped and went to Holland. He however, came over with the present King. The Attorney-General recommends him to the King's mercy. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 192.]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Howe, stating that, in 1670, a grant was made to the Earl of St. Albans of the bailiwick of St. James, who leased to Joseph Girle for 500*l.*, Kemp's Field, or Bunches Close, Coleman Hedge Field, the west side of Old Soho, and Gavell's Garden. Prays a renewal of the said lease for 99 years at expiration of present term. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 197.]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Joan Oldfield. Desiring payment of 95*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.* due for smith's work in the Mews, in reign of King Charles II. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 218.]

Feb. 24. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Anneke Luidemans to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Mr. German Colladon to go from Harwich to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 78]; for Capt. John Douglas and Capt. Read to go to Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 79]; for Messieurs Henry Devig and David Mallie to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 80]; and for Samuel George and Isaac Rolain, two French Protestants, to go to Harwich for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 191.]

Feb. 25. Cash account similar to that of January 28th. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 134.]

Feb. 25. The Hague. The Earl of Portland to the King. Proceedings in the Assembly of the State of Holland. Military matters. I hope that affairs in England will be according to your wishes; it is most necessary that you should send a properly authorised plenipotentiary [to represent England at the Congress]. Lord Dursley awaits definite instructions; I do not think Lord Nottingham is favourable to him. News from France. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 135.]

Feb. 25. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. We have received certain news that Prince Charles was killed on the spot where his body was found, with several of his officers and servants round him. This has increased our sorrow here. The Envoy of my family is expected back from Saxe without any agreement about the succession they having offered that Elector a fourth part to prevent the ill consequences of a dispute. The Duke of Zell is now here, and things look like a perfect union between the brothers again. Mons. Shutes

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is ordered to go to the Congress at the Hague, but he is to return again to England when the King comes back. The French agents here magnify very much the greatness of the French fleet this year, and the succours they are sending to Ireland, and also assert that the French king will undertake some great design suddenly. I hope it will not be against Germany. The French gentleman, I formerly wrote about, is coming in a few days to England by the Duke and Duchess's order. I hope my lord will be pleased to present him to the King, as he is a brave and good officer. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 184.]

Feb. 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Richard Wakefield. I have received your letter of the 22nd instant concerning the papers which are dispersed in order to influence the choice of members for the ensuing Parliament, and though I cannot but disapprove of such foul practices, especially in a matter of so great a consequence, yet since it is to be presumed that whatever abuses of this kind are committed they will be complained of by some of the parties injured, and redressed in parliament, where they are properly cognizable, I am not able to give any directions in this matter. I desire you will communicate this letter to Mr. Lancelot Addison, which will serve as an answer to one I received from him at the same time and to the same purpose as yours. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 274.]

Feb. 25. Kensington. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of Treasurer's clerk, and keeper of the register of all entertainments, &c. in Scotland. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 509.]

Feb. 25. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland authorising them to make an Act directing what seals should be used in all cases where the signatures of the Clerks of Secret Council and the Clerks of the Criminal Court and the Director of the Chancellery and his Deputes are required. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 510.]

Feb. 25. Blank warrants for gifts of the office of commissary clerk of the Commissariats St. Andrews, Dunkeld, Brechin, Dumblain, Peebles, Roxburgh, and Hamilton and Campse. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 511 *and* 513.]

Feb. 25. Kensington. Warrant for a gift of the office of chamberlain of the earldom of Ross, lordship of Ardmanoch and barony of Delny and Meddut to Ronald Bayn of Knockbayn. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 514.]

Feb. 25. Post-warrant for Colonel Cornwall to go to Hereford. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 191.]

Feb. 26. Proposals from Amsterdam made by the Pensionary; in the Earl of Portland's handwriting. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 136.]

Feb. 26. Disposition of 5,199*l.* 12*s.* 7*d.* The payments include 470*l.* for re-victualling the English and Dutch foot guards bound for Ostend and the Brill; 515*l.* for bringing from Carrickfergus to Hoylake

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two troops of their Majesties' guards; 3,000*l.* to the officers "come to make recruits"; 264*l.* to the Earl of Marlborough "for several contingent uses at the siege of Cork and Kinsale"; 150*l.* to Mons. Montault and Mons. Rapin, "French Reformed officers." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 6, *No.* 37.]

Feb. 26. Whitehall. The King to William Ward, high sheriff of Staffordshire, granting him leave to remain and dwell out of that county during his term of office. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 39.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. Warrant to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland for the payment of 2,000*l.* sterling to George Lord Melville. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 515.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. Warrant for a ratification and new gift to Sir John Dalrymple of the office of Advocate of Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 516.]

Feb. 26. Warrant for a gift of the office of one of their Majesties' chaplains in ordinary in Scotland to Mr. William Carstairs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 517.]

Feb. 26. Warrant for a gift of the office of keeper of the register of Fife and Kinross to John Orrock. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 518.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. The King to the Commissioners of the Privy Seal of Scotland. Directs that the placing of the name of John, Earl of Kintore before that of Archibald, Earl of Forfar, on the commission appointing Commissioners of the Privy Seal, shall not prejudice the latter in precedency. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 618.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. The King to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland, requiring them to consider the validity of the heritable right of Sir James Hamilton of Priestfield to the office of keeping the park of Holyrood House. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 519.]

Feb. 26. Docquet of a warrant for a charter of the lands of Broadlands of Balloch, within the stewartry of Strathearn and sheriffdom of Perth, which formerly pertained to John Drummond of Balloch, deceased, to James Graham. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 519.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. Docquet of a warrant for a charter of the lands and barony of Hailes, the baronies of Drysdale, Carruthers, Traburn, Over and Nether Hailes, and the barony of Whittingham and Stanpath, formerly belonging to Alexander, Viscount Kingstown, and Elizabeth, Viscountess Kingstown, to John Scott of Wooll. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 520.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. Commission to the Earl of Eglinton to hold brevet rank as a colonel of horse. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 220.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. Warrant to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland for the payment of 300*l.* to John Roos, engraver in London, for engraving the great, privy and quarter seals of Scotland, and three signets. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 521.]

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Feb. 26. Kensington. Instructions to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland.

(1.) You are in the first place to receive from James, Earl of Perth, late Chancellor; John, Marquis of Athole, Lord Privy Seal; William, Duke of Hamilton; George, Duke of Gordon; John, Earl of Tweeddale; Colin, Earl of Balcarres, and George, Viscount Tarbat, the late Commissioners of the Treasury, an exact state thereof as they had it before Candlemas, 1689, together with the present state of the Customs and Excise which you are to transmit to us.

(2.) To call for and peruse all former instructions to your predecessors, and to put the same into execution in so far as they remain unaltered by these instructions.

(3.) To take an account of all magazines and stores and to call to account all persons in charge thereof.

(4.) To advance and pay out what money may be necessary to support our magazines and stores from time to time.

(5.) To stop the passing in the Exchequer of any gift, &c., although signed by us, if you think necessary, until you shall acquaint us therewith.

(6.) To give such allowance for secret intelligence as heretofore.

(7.) To appoint such persons as you think fit to be chamberlains of rents and to give them commissions; but those at present in office are to be continued.

(8.) To discover all concealed and embezzled rents, &c. belonging to us.

(9.) To take special care that no signature or gift be passed wherein any lands, feu duties and other casualties belonging to the Crown, is contained; if granted, you are to endeavour to recall and reduce the same.

(10.) To pay no fee, pension, or precept due to any person before Martinmas last, except such as have a warrant under our hand.

(11.) To enquire what is due to us for taxes granted to our predecessors and of all bonds and other debts due to us and to recover the same. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 521.]

Feb. 26. Blank warrant for a gift of the office of one of the four Commissioners of Edinburgh. [*Ibid., p.* 523.]

Feb. 26. Blank warrant for making seals for the Privy Council of Scotland and the Justice Court. [*Ibid., p.* 523.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. Warrant for the gift of a yearly pension of 10*l.* sterling to Margaret Kay, widow of —— Ruthven, merchant of Edinburgh, in consideration of the constant loyalty of Mr. Robert Kay, late Minister of Dunfermline, her father, to King Charles II. [*Ibid., p.* 524.]

Feb. 26. Kensington. The like to the Commissioners of the Treasury for Scotland, for payment of 100*l.* sterling to Sir Alexander Bruce of Broomhall, for his services to the Crown. [*Ibid., p.* 524.]

Feb. 26. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, adjourning the Parliament. [*Ibid., p.* 525.]

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Feb. 26. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland. Whereas by a Commission, dated 11th January last, John Slezer was made captain of the Artillery Company and surveyor of the magazines in Scotland at a daily allowance of 12*s.*, you are to call before you the said John Slezer and give him the following instructions :—

(1.) To give nothing out from the public stores without a written order from the Lords of the Council, the Commander-in-Chief of the Forces, and the Master-General of the Ordnance; and he and the Storekeeper are to answer for any ammunition supplied to Governors for the use of the garrisons.

(2.) To make inspection of the way in which store masters' clerks, and other artificers employed in the public stores discharge their duties, and to take care that the books and journals of the artillery and magazines are properly kept and that as many of those engaged in the stores and magazines be lodged in Edinburgh Castle as can be accommodated.

(3.) That improperly using public stores or lending them to private persons, or embezzling them, be severely punished by a Council of War.

(4.) The 150*l.* annual allowance for the artillery is only to be employed according to the original intention, viz. :—To train up men to all kinds of artillery exercise, as casting up of earth works, gunnery, fireworks, mining, and the like, and it is to be paid, one moiety in advance to the captain, he being accountable to the Treasury for its proper use.

(5.) When the artillery takes the field, a necessary number of wrights, smiths, saddlers, coopers, and waggoners, not on the establishment, may be employed during the expedition and then dismissed.

(6.) The artillery to be paid henceforth at the same time and manner, as the field forces.

(7.) That all disputes between the garrisons and the artillery be prevented. All disorders between the garrison and artillery are to be settled by a Council of War, composed of officers of both. If disorders occur amongst the artillery themselves within a garrison, the commanding officer is to secure the persons implicated and deliver them up to their own officers. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book* 14, *p.* 525.]

Feb. 26. The same to the Commissioners of the Treasury of Scotland. Directs them to call for the accounts of John Slezer, captain of the artillery, and surveyor of the magazines in Scotland, and pay him what shall be found due. [*Ibid., p.* 527.]

Feb. 26. The same to the Privy Council of Scotland. Whereas we understand that the Meeting of the Estates did, upon good grounds, think proper to secure in prison Colin, Earl of Balcarres, and afterwards admitted him to bail, and that again you have thought proper that the said Earl should be again secured, by which we are informed his health is much impaired, we therefore authorise you to give orders that the said Earl may have his liberty from prison and may live in such place as you think proper, he giving bail for his appearance. [*Ibid., p.* 527.]

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Feb. 26. The King to the Privy Council of Scotland, touching the Earl of Loudoun's annuity of teinds. [*S.P. Scotland, Warrant Book, p.* 528.]

Feb. 26. Warrant to apprehend —— Parker upon suspicion of treasonable practices. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 83.]

Feb. 26. Passes for Mons. Gabriel Hebert, physician to the Danish Forces, and Mr. Nicholas Obertin to go to Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake for Ireland; for Mr. Peter Gallais to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Lieut.-General Douglas to go to Scotland; for Aernout Hermanze to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Mr. Charles Stanley to go to Warrington in Lancashire; for Johan Blan to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Lieutenant John Bord, Peter Moreine and Paul Philiber, officers in Mons. Caillemote's regiment, to go from Harwich or the river to Holland for recruits [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 80]; for Ann, Countess of Southesk, with Mary La Veiune, Margaret Hardin, Margaret Osborne, Elizabeth Osborne, Ann Turner, John Hamilton and John Johnson, her servants, to go to Flanders and remain abroad for the recovery of her health, and to return; and for Mrs. Margaret Plunket, Katherine Kinderland, and Elizabeth Frans, with one child, to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders. [*Ibid., p.* 81.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Hussey. I have made a further attempt, according to your desire, and laid before his Majesty the reasons that were left with me for deferring the election of another Ambassador to Constantinople; to which his Majesty answered that he had likewise his reasons for pressing it, which he thought ought not to be longer contested, and therefore expected you would acquaint the Company with it at a general meeting. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 274.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Moseley. Regretting that he cannot gratify him. [*Ibid., p.* 274.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. I have received yours of the 24th instant, and am very much of your opinion that the messenger's folly, or what is worse, has prevented a discovery that might otherwise have been made, and you have done well to give orders for a strict watch upon all passers; for such a resort, as your letter mentions, of strangers into those parts, ought to awaken the vigilance of all concerned, and I hope the magistrates, and those in authority, will think themselves obliged to take an account of such concealed adventurers who could not have the boldness to flock together and practice against the Government if there were not a remissness on our side in suffering it. Perhaps Sir Theophilus Oglethorpe may now repair thither, having this plausible pretence of looking after his wife, in which case you will observe his motions and inform me of what passes, that I may receive his Majesty's directions upon it. I do not understand by your letter whether Lady Oglethorpe is still at Chester or if she is gone on with Mrs. Conway. [*Ibid., p.* 275.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Oxford. I have received your letter with the account of what shoes are remaining at Oxford, which I have acquainted his Majesty with, who would have them sent to

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Coventry for the use of the troops. I desire therefore you will defray the charges you mention for keeping them, and order a waggon to be hired for conveying them to Coventry, there to be delivered to the Mayor, to whom directions will be sent to receive and dispose of them; and for what shall be expended in this service, if you send me a bill, drawn upon Mr. William Harboard, paymaster to the Forces in Ireland, I will take care that it shall be immediately complied with. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 275.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Coventry. I have written this night to the Mayor of Oxford to direct the sending from thence to Coventry, eight barrels of shoes provided for the army, which are to be delivered into your custody when they arrive. You will receive them and dispose of them according to such directions as shall be sent you by Mr. Blathwait, Secretary at War. The charge for bringing these goods to Coventry will be defrayed by the Mayor of Oxford. [*Ibid., p.* 276.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I understand that the Earl of Torrington has written to Dover on behalf of Sir Charles Hedges, Judge of the Admiralty, that he may be chosen to serve them in parliament; "though I do not pretend to have any interest in the place, or so much as to intermeddle in elections, yet from the knowledge I have of the gentleman's worth I cannot but wish he may succeed." [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Parker. Hearing that Mr. Newport intends to stand as knight of the shire for Salop, and being desirous that he may succeed, I would have you acquaint my friends and tenants that I shall take it for a kindness if they give him their voices and assist him with their interest. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Fraunter. I have received your letter, but having already engaged myself to be assisting to Mr. Newport in his election as knight of the shire for Shropshire, I cannot now support any other interest which I do not know to be consistent with his. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to Lord Chief Justice Holt. Understanding that there is an objection made to Lieut. Hertogen's warrant for his pardon, because it is different from the first draft, I thought fit to acquaint your lordship that the alteration, made to comprehend the pardon of Marther, was done by his Majesty's direction. [*Ibid., p.* 277.]

Feb. 27. Whitehall. The same to Sir James Rushout. I have received your letter with the enclosed information of John Kelly, which I have to-day laid before the King, who is pleased to direct that John Kelly should be brought up hither for further examination, to which purpose I intend, as soon as it can possibly be done, to dispatch a messenger with a *Habeas Corpus* to the gaol at Worcester, to bring him up. In the meantime, if you have any further information about this matter, I desire you will transmit it up hither. [*Ibid.*]

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Feb. 27. London. News letter. A letter from Chester says that there was great expectation of particulars of the actions at Newry and Dundalk, fought by Lieut.-Col. Pope, but we hear from Scotland that the enemy made a show, by drawing a great number of their army to Dundalk, of attacking Newry, while their intentions were to vigorously fall upon that part of our army at Belturbet. Colonel Wolseley, who commands in these parts, had notice of it and asked the General for reinforcements; accordingly some detached foot horse and dragoons were sent him which brought up his party to about 1,500 men, with which he marched towards Cavan. Here the enemy were ready to meet him with 5,000 men. Our men attacked the enemy and drove them back into Cavan and forced them to leave that place and then plundered the town. The enemy rallied, and Colonel Wolseley, to get his men together, was forced to fire the town and burnt provision for 10,000 men for six months. In this action we lost three officers and 20 soldiers (some say 60), but the enemy lost above 300. The Duke of Berwick had his horse shot under him and was wounded in the thigh. Brigadier Nugent is said to be wounded, and several officers and soldiers taken.

Mr. Kinkell being ordered by the Council to receive the revenues of the Archbishop of Edinburgh, was opposed by Mr. Hackett, his chamberlain. The Council has ordered that the said Kinkell shall proceed and that no writer in Edinburgh shall admit any process of that kind, but such as would be warrantable.

Our West India fleet is still at Spithead. The *Breda*, *Warspite*, and *Coronation*, are fitting at Portsmouth, the latter to be commanded by Col. Delaval, who carries the blue flag at the mizzen top. On the 22nd, in the evening, the Queen of Spain with about 200 merchantmen came into Torbay. In the same place are 37 men-of-war. The fleet that was at Plymouth has gone to join the fleet from Torbay. Captain Featherston's troop of horse embarked at Cowes on the 24th for Southampton to go to Salisbury. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 323.]

Feb. 27. Passes for Captain Rabar, Serjeant John Gibon, Peter Farrett, and Willemyntie (*sic*) Pollens, with three children, to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 81]; for Captain Algate to go to Stamford [*Ibid.*, *p.* 82]; and for Henry Bulkeley, esquire, with two servants, David Morris and John Delavel, to go to France. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 195.]

Feb. 28. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The Duke of Zell has been here all this week, and to-day the Duke of Wolfenbüttel is expected; conferences have taken place, but they are not so communicative to their allies as we are. There are yet hopes that the Elector of Saxe may agree with them, their envoy not having come away as was expected, but awaits the return of the premier minister of that Elector from the Imperial court when that business will be considered again, this family having offered the Elector a full fourth part of the Duchy of Saxe-Lawenburg. I am very pleased at the account you give me of the new plot; the French agents begin to rail against Spain and Portugal already. Yesterday my secretary left me. Gives a bad account of his behaviour. The Bishop

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of Salisbury did not recommend him to me, but Mons. Goddett, Lord Preston's French secretary, whom I knew in France, but the Bishop spoke much in his favour. The Duchess has been so very ill since the last news of her son that I am afraid it will kill her. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 188.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Allowance to Sir Paul Ricaut, resident at the Hanse Towns of Germany, of his expenses from 28th June, 1689 to 1st January, 1690. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 192.]

Feb. 28. Whitehall. Commissions to Pierre Le Bastide St. Sebastien to the captain of a troop in the Duke of Schomberg's regiment of horse; to Abraham Masters, gentleman, to be a lieutenant of the same troop; and to Pierre Balandirie, gent., to be a cornet in the same troop. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 8.]

Feb. 27. Revocation of the reprieve of Daniel Barrett, sentenced to death at the Surrey assizes for killing George Selby and for a burglary at the house of John Tichborne. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 82.]

Feb. 28. Passes for Mons. Blissons, Mons. De Chams, Jacob Angely Vander Clay, Clas Crien, and John Powes to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 82]; and for Philip Risot to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 83.]

[Feb.] The case of John Lewkener, esquire, against William Mountague, esquire, as to whether the said Mountague ought to be discharged out of execution by privilege of Parliament, he being the member for Stockbridge. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 102.]

Mar. 1. Edinburgh. Sir Patrick Hume to the King. The meeting of our Parliament to-day has exposed me to the anger of the Dukes of Hamilton and Queensberry, and some other lords of their party, for acting a part required by your interest and service. My Lord Commissioner will give an account of what passed, and I have written to the Earl of Portland, what I think he will tell you of that matter, so I shall not trouble you with much writing. I fear no man, if I can so carry my duty, as to carry your royal approbation for my encouragement and reward; so I humbly beg that no one may be able to hurt me by false suggestions. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 1.]

Mar 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir James Long. I have received your letter desiring that directions may be given to the King's councel who go next Western circuit, about the trial of Bayly, which I have accordingly taken care of, so that I have only to assure you that the zeal and affection of those who act for the service of their majesties shall never want encouragement. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 277.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. I have received your letter with the enclosed from Mrs. Vaughan to you, which I look upon as further ground of that suspicion under which Lady Oglethorpe lies. There are material circumstances against her as to which enquiry should

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be made, viz.: in what manner and under what disguise you found her, and whether she passed as Mrs. Conway's woman, which the stage coachman, or some of the passengers, will be best able to inform you of; as to all this, I desire a particular account in your next. If Mrs. Vaughan and Lady Oglethorpe are in custody of the messenger, by virtue of my warrant, you are to direct him to bring them up hither, unless they can give good security for their appearance before me at any time within six months, if required, and in the mean time not to depart the realm, without leave. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 278.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your letter concerning Morgan Byrne, with a packet of letters and other papers that were found in his custody, which I have directed to be put into Mr. Attorney-General's hands to have his opinion in the matter. As soon as I have received his answer, I shall take care to send you such further directions as shall be thought necessary. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Hereford. This is to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, which, requiring no particular answer, I have to acquaint you that directions will be given to some of the King's counsel, who go the next Oxford circuit, about the prosecution of such offenders as shall be found in the hands of the law at the next assizes. [*Ibid., p.* 279.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Beaumont. Upon the enclosed petition of Mrs. Hill, his Majesty is pleased to direct that I should write to you in his name to give her what assistance may be fitting for recovering the concealed goods. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 1. Summons for John Heardson of West Smithfield, apothecary, to appear before the Earl of Shrewsbury. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 83.]

Mar. 1. Allowance of the extraordinary expenses disbursed by Sir Thomas Dereham, Envoy to the Republic of Genoa and Grand Duke of Tuscany, from 14th March, 1686, to 12th January, 1689. [*Ibid., p.* 84.]

Mar. 1. Allowance to Mr. Anthony Church, of 36*l.* for the maintenance of 20 poor Scotch soldiers in Westminster Goal. [*Ibid., p.* 88.]

Mar. 1. Warrant for a Commission to Sir Thomas Pilkington, knight, Lord Mayor, and the Lord Mayor of London, for the time being, Sir Thomas Alleyn, bart., Sir Robert Clayton, Sir Patience Ward, Sir William Pritchard, Sir Robert Jeffrey, Sir George Treby, Attorney General and Recorder of London, and the Recorder thereof for the time being, Sir Jonathan Raymond, Sir Thomas Stampe, Sir Samuel Dashwood, Sir Benjamin Thoroughgood, Sir William Ashurst, Sir Humphry Edwin, Sir John Fleet, Sir Benjamin Newland, Sir Thomas Fowles, Sir John Mathews, Sir Henry Ashurst, bart., Sir John Lethieullier, Sir Peter Vandeput, Sir William Russel, Sir Jeremy Sambrook, Sir William Hedges, Sir John Mordaunt, bart., Sir Gabriel Roberts, Sir Francis Child, Sir Edward Clerk, Sir John Houblon,

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Sir John Cutler, Sir Edward Des Bouverie, Sir James Ward, Sir Thomas Kensy, Sir Robert Adams, Sir Thomas Vernon, Sir Ralph Box, Sir James Smith, Sir Peter Rich, Sir William Goslyn, Sir Christopher Lethieuillier, Thomas Papillion, Joseph Herne, Thomas Frederick, John Birch, William Kiffin, Edward Underhill, George Sitwell, Thomas Westerne, John Jolliffe, Charles Thorold, Nathaniel Tench, Francis Chamberlain, John Hudson, Thomas Langham, Peter Houblon, James Houblon, Leonard Robinson, William Jarrett, Daniel Mercer, Andrew Kendrick, John Flavell, Robert Wittingham, William Warren, John Rayley, John Gosfright, ——— Scawen, John Roach, John Johnson, Samuel Powell, Joseph Bowles, Abraham Wessell, Walter Coventry, James Denew, Thomas Cooke, goldsmith, Joseph Scriven, Daniel Allen, Ralph Grange, Robert Raworth, Francis Moore, Thomas Shaw, John Cook of Bassieshaw, William Faulkener, James Bodington, Henry Hatley, John Adams, Henry Whichcote, Percival Gilborne, Thomas Shore, John Kent, Richard Aly, John Nicholls, Thomas Colson, Nicholas Charleton, John Midgely, William Hussey, Lieut.-Col. Beake, William Gore, William Withers, senior, Richard Hoare, goldsmith, Geoffery Nightingale, James Smith, draper on Ludgate Hill, Joseph Hornby, Richard Beauchamp, Richard Normansell, Joseph Smart, Roberd Bedingfield, Peter Joye, William Hooker, John Steventon, William Carpenter, Arthur Baron, William Tempest, Peter Hoyer, Roger, Norton, John Jenew, John Sawyer, Thomas Wood, Geoffrey Jeffreys, Nathaniel Hawes, William Strong, John Jeffereys, Adrian Quincy (?), John Wallis, John Coggs, and John East, esquires, to be deputy-lieutenants of the City of London. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 4.]

Mar. 1. Kensington. Commissions for Richard St. George, esq., to be captain of that company in the regiment of foot commanded by Col. Charles Trelawny, whereof Captain William Davies was lately captain [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 86]; for Francis Maidston, esq., to be captain of a company whereof Captain Prickman was late captain, in the regiment of foot commanded by Col. Francis Lutterell [*Ibid.*, *p.* 91]; for Alexander Maitland, gent., to be lieutenant of the company, whereof Captain William Davidson is captain in the regiment of Scotch Foot Guards, under the command of Lieut.-General Douglas; for ——— Carnagie, to be ensign in the regiment of Scotch Foot Guards commanded by Lieut.-General Douglas [*Ibid.*, *p.* 107]; for Samuel Smith to be quarter-master of the regiment of foot under the command of Col. Lutterell [*Ibid.*]; for Richard Bolton, gent., to be second lieutenant of the company of Grenadiers commanded by Captain Matthew Devaulx [*Ibid.*, *p.* 121]; for Greg Brome, esq., to be captain-lieutenant of that company in Sir James Leslie's regiment of foot, whereof he himself is captain; for Villiers Charleton to be lieutenant to Captain Tankred in same regiment; for Edward Jukes, gent., to be ensign to the Colonel's company in the same regiment; for William Kerr, gent., to be ensign to Captain Price in the same regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 126]; for ——— Bryan, gent., to be lieutenant to Captain Overton in Colonel William Beveridge's regiment of foot; for ——— Sacheverel to be lieutenant to Col. Moncriefe in the same; for David Boyle, gent., to

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be ensign to Capt. Nicholson, in the same; for George Morris to be ensign to Major Tankred, in Sir James Leslie's regiment of foot [*Ibid.*, 3, *p.* 2]; for Sir Robert Douglas to be colonel of a regiment of foot under the Duke of Schomberg [*Ibid.*, *p.* 3]; for William Greene, gent., to be an ensign to Captain Edmond Soam, in Sir Henry Bellassis' regiment of foot [*Ibid.*, *p.* 8]; for Lord George Hamilton, to be colonel of the regiment of foot whereof Colonel Lloyd, deceased, was colonel, and likewise to be captain of a company in the same regiment; for Hugh Wyndham to be lieutenant-colonel to Colonel Robert Beyerley's regiment of horse, and to have a troop [*Ibid. p.* 11]; for Captain John Price to be captain of the company, whereof Captain William Hussey was captain, in Sir James Leslie's regiment of foot; for Mr. Delivron to be lieutenant-grenadier to Captain John Bradshaw in Colonel Foulke's regiment; for William Hull to be ensign to Captain Samuel Brown in Col. Foulke's regiment; for Richard Bettsworth to be ensign to Captain Henry Nelthrope in Col. Foulke's regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 13]; for William Reve, gent., to be cornet to Sir William Clark in Richard Lord Colchester's regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 15]; for Richard Boyle to be captain of that troop whereof Capt. Henry Littleton was captain in Col. Robert Beyerley's regiment of horse [*Ibid.*, *p.* 16]; for Thomas Hawley to be major of the garrison in the Tower of London [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18]; for William Maddox to be lieutenant to Capt. John Gilley in Col. Francis Langston's regiment of horse [*Ibid.*, *p.* 19]; for John Meres, gent., to be lieutenant to Capt. John Fowke in Sir James Leslie's regiment of foot [*Ibid.*, *p.* 19]; for George Prater to be captain of the company whereof Capt. Wyndham was captain in Col. Lutterell's regiment; for John West, gent., to be captain lieutenant to Col. Lutterell's regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 20]; for Andrew Armstrong to be chaplain of the company whereof Capt. Philip was captain in the regiment of foot commanded by Sir James Leslie [*Ibid.*, *p.* 25]; and for Leigh Blackwell to be cornet to Captain Lee in the Royal Regiment of Horse, commanded by the Earl of Oxford. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 28.]

Mar. 1. Whitehall. Pardon of a fine inflicted upon Theophilus Beaujeau, convicted at Hicks Hall for spreading false news, he being a stranger and having been in the pillory under the same judgment. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 170.]

Mar. 2. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. The King commands me to acquaint you that by letters from "a good hand" of the 29th January last, he has received this account following: That the rebels in Ireland are now reinforcing Dundalk, and sending hay, oats, and other provisions from Dublin by sea in "gabarts," but that if three or four light frigates were appointed to cruise upon that coast, and chiefly near Dublin Bay, they might prevent all the carriage by sea, either to Drogheda or Dundalk, as likewise all French ships as they come in or go out from thence; that, about the 27th January last, one Captain Welsh sailed from Dublin to St. Malo, laden with tallow, salt, hides, wool, and tanned leather, with four ships more in company, laden with the same commodities,

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the least of them being 50 tons, and their cargoes ten or twelve thousand pounds weight. Welsh's was about 250 tons, and he carried 16 guns, and another was 150 tons and had 8 guns, one Lincoln being her master; that those two last came from St. Malo; that there is a little yacht, whereof one Captain Bridges was formerly owner, which runs almost every week over to the Welsh coast for news, and carries intelligence back to Dublin; that sometimes she comes nigh were the Lord Molyneux lives, but for the most part to a place called Scallocks, near Holyhead; that one Thompson, who went in July last from Liverpool in a small boat to Dublin, frequently runs in at Scallocks; and that on January 25th last there arrived at Waterford a ketch, belonging to Galway, of about 50 tons, from Plymouth, laden with about 30,000 pounds of tobacco, pretending that she entered her goods as bound for Bilboa.

The King also learns that in January last one Shapland, of Wexford, loaded a small barque with tallow and herrings under the pretence of going to France; but she put in, as is believed, at Bristol and brought over one, Captain Croen, a papist, who was master of her. This vessel is consigned to one, Henry Archer, a merchant in Bristol, and brother to the said Shapland; she is designed back again for Wexford or Dublin. The King further hears that four French ships which set sail from Dublin towards the latter end of January last were, by contrary winds, forced back into Waterford, so that if they are not yet got off, they may, as it is said, be easily waylaid.

This, my lord, his Majesty is pleased I should acquaint you with, that you may consider of such method as you shall judge most requisite for the King's service in this matter, and that you may give all necessary orders therein accordingly. I take leave to acquaint you that Mr. Harboard says that if he may have an order for a small yacht, that is now in Chester Water, to cruise near Holyhead, and watch the motions of the within mentioned vessel, which runs frequently between that place and Dublin with intelligence, he does not doubt but to have her seised soon; in all probability such a seizure might lead to considerable discoveries. *A like letter to the Lords of the Treasury, with the last paragraph left out.* [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 279.]

Mar. 2. Warrant to apprehend Mary Morgan on suspicion of treasonable practices, and to seize her papers. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 85.]

Mar. 2. Summons for the Lord President and the Earl of Nottingham to attend the King at the Earl of Shrewsbury's office. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 3. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Refers to his despatch of 19th February in which he mentioned that he had started from Armagh, having heard that the Duke of Berwick was anxious to revenge the loss he had sustained by a party from Belturbet under the command of Colonel Wolseley. Some of the enemies' troops from the west of Sligo had gone towards Dublin, whom it was necessary to watch closely. Presses his request for the Danish infantry, and urges the King to appoint some one at Hoylake to hasten the embarkation.

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Fears that money will not arrive for some time; for want of it, the cavalry will be found by the King, on his arrival, to be in bad condition. The officers' pay is seven months in arrear, and the small sums received by them from the Customs had to be applied for their own necessities. The artillery is crippled for the same reasons. The bills of exchange which he sent to the Tower have not been paid; requests that arms may be procured from Amsterdam and Utrecht. Comments on defects in the pikes already sent and upon the serious state of affairs in the hospital, commending De Bussière, the surgeon at Carlingford, and condemning the conduct of Surgeon Thompson; has communicated with Lord Shrewsbury on the subject. Any addition which the King wishes to make to the artillery shall be carried out without loss of time. The cavalry also must be put in a better condition, and they have not the men fitted to do it. Brigadier Villiers is but little qualified to command, though very active in looking after his own interests. Recommends Mons. de Lestang, he having seen active service. I have written to Count Schomberg to inform him that you wish him to enter your service, but I have had no reply and wonder if my letters are lost. Two of our ships having taken a fishing boat near Drogheda, the enemy—so Captain Pottinger tells me—were filled with alarm and hastened thither a force of cavalry and infantry. I cannot learn that the enemy have received any aid from France either of men or arms. Thinks that the King's navy could render better service by guarding the coast near Dublin, Cork, and Kinsale than they did last summer before Brest. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 2.]

Mar. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to William Madrin. I have received your letter with a packet relating to Morgan and Robinson, now prisoners in the county gaol of Carnarvon, wherewith I have acquainted the King, who has directed a *Habeas Corpus* for the bringing them up to be further examined touching the same. The King commands me to tell you that he is extremely satisfied with the care and affection you have shown in that matter for his service, not doubting but you will continue to show the same upon all occasions. He directs me to tell you that the frequent correspondence which is maintained between some disaffected persons here and the rebels in Ireland by several small vessels that run between Dublin and the Welsh coast (where his Majesty has almost daily advice) will at this juncture especially require more than ordinary vigilance in the magistrates of those parts. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 281.]

Mar. 3. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Harboard. The King being pleased—in consideration of the signal service which have been performed by the late Captain St. Sauveur in Ireland—to allow his mother Madam Barnier a pension payable upon the establishment for French protestant officers, in the room of Monsieur Forneaux, who is gone to Holland, and thereby incapable of having the benefit thereof, the King commands me to signify his pleasure to you, that Madam Barnier be put upon that establishment in the aforesaid vacancy.

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Your letter as to money for the Irish army, I have laid before the King. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 281.]

Mar. 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Justice of the Assize for Berkshire. The King is informed that Richard Messenger, a prisoner in Reading Gaol, who has already been, or is to be, tried before you at this present assize, for horse stealing, has undertaken to make a large and true discovery of near four score clippers and coiners and of about thirty horse stealers, in hopes thereby to merit his pardon. The King is pleased to command me to signify his pleausure to you that in case the said Richard Messenger is or shall be found guilty of the said crime, you do reprieve him till his Majesty shall have received an account of that matter from you. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 282.]

Mar. 3. Whitehall. Commission to Sir Henry Goodrick to cause 530 holsters, without caps, and 80 saddles, to be sent to Mons. Overkirke, Master of the Horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 9.]

Mar. 3. Warrant to the Commissioners of the Great Seal to issue a writ of summons to Parliament to Sir Peregrine Osborne, of Kiveton, chivaler. *In the margin:* "Lord Danby's summons to Parliament." [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 87.]

Mar. 3. Order of Council upon the petition of Arthur Bayley and other merchants to stop the ship *St. John* of Rochelle. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 88.]

Mar. 3. Warrant to apprehend John Heardson, an apothecary, who upon summons to give evidence against persons speaking seditious words, refused to appear. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 86.]

Mar. 3. Passes for Stephen Robinson to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*]; for Christopher Partridge and John Hawkins to go from Dover to Flanders; for Annet Vander Linde, with three children, to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 86]; for Henry Evans to go from London to Carnarvonshire and return; and for William Magill to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 87.]

Mar. 3. Whitehall. Order of Council on the petition of Joseph Hern as to hearing a cause touching the arrest of the *St. John* of Rochelle. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 194.]

Mar. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Maurice Bowen. Praying that he may have half-pay provided for him, there being no vacancy for a lieutenant in Lieut.-Gen. Douglas' line regiment. Referred to the Commissioners for the Army. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 195.]

Mar. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Richard Bulkeley, bart. praying for a commission of inquiry and a grant of lands in Hertford, Flint, Denbigh, and Glamorgan, settled to popish uses. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 196.]

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Mar. 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Herbert praying for a commission of inquiry and grant of lands in Bedford, Kent, Surrey, Sussex, and Nottingham settled to popish uses. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 196.]

Mar. 4. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The Dukes of Zell and Wolfenbüttle have gone again from Hanover. I wish you could contribute towards the finding out a fit secretary for me, that understands Latin and French, and who is an Englishman. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 192.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Oxford. I have received your letter. Since the waggons can be had no cheaper, those rates must be complied with, of which the King approves more than the pressing waggons on this occasion; you will therefore give orders for sending them away and let me have the bill of the entire charges. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 282.]

Mar. 4. The same to Sir John Guise. I have received your letter; as to the occasion of it I can only tell you that the drum-major according to former precedents, besides his commission, has a warrant from the King for pressing, or causing to be pressed, such drummers as are wanting in the army, which, if it be not founded upon an express law, I suppose it is upon absolute necessity, for without it, they say that drummers are not to be had, and I have not heard that it is forbidden by any law or of any complaint made of it, but the using such a warrant to extort money, or thereby oblige any to purchase their being excused, is no doubt a double abuse both on the King and the subject which will be severely punished whenever it is discovered, but otherwise by a fair moderate use of the power, the army may be supplied, and I hope the country will receive no prejudice since it is so much easier for them to find others for their service among those who are willing to stay at home. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 282.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. Understanding that the justices, at the last quarter sessions of the peace held for the county and city of Chester, have made an order for the quartering of soldiers upon their march through that city, I cannot but observe to you that I think the rates therein appointed are very unreasonable, that they are upon the very stretch of what the Act does direct, and such as will be altogether impossible for the soldiers to comply with, particularly that of sixpence a night for a foot soldier, which is not within the compass of his subsistence; therefore I advise you to confer with the Mayor which way this matter may be so adjusted, so that his Majesty's forces who are ordered to march through that city, may be eased therein. *A like letter to the Mayor of Chester.* [*Ibid.*, *p.* 283.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Hereford. I have already signified to you that orders would be given for the prosecuting at the next assizes those persons that are in custody and within the reach of the law, and this is only to inform you that Mr. Edward Kettlebey of Ludlow, an attorney-at-law, is appointed to assist in that prosecution. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 284.]

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Mar. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Commissioners of the Great Seal The King would have you insert Sir William Hooker as a justice of the peace, in the *quorum*, for the counties of Kent and Essex. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 80.]

Mar. 4. The Earl of Ranelagh to the King. Giving an account of the state of Chelsea Hospital. The number of non-commissioned officers and soldiers who have been disabled by wounds or have served the Crown twenty years and are judged unfit for service is 579, and the hospital when finished will only lodge 472, so that 107 men now on pension must continue to receive the royal bounty in their quarters. But if the qualifications of the pensioners be examined several of them might be discharged as able to serve at sea or in garrison. Drafts of Patents for incorporation of the hospital were made by both the last two Kings, but never passed; another patent is now being prepared. The body of the hospital was built when Mr. Fox was paymaster, but the finishing and furnishing the inside, the four additional buildings, and several courts and walks have been made since I succeeded him. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 3.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Bulman, mariner, praying for an order for the payment of money due to him, or for some command in the navy. Referred to the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 195.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Holbridge, mariner, stating that he served King Charles II. in the Dutch wars, and since then, as master of several merchant ships which he quitted to serve his Majesty. Prays for a lieutenant's commission or his Majesty's letter to go "reformade" on board a man-of-war. Referred to the Admiralty [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edmund Aston, mariner, praying that, having been mate of several merchant ships and having been made prisoner in France, he may be appointed to a command in the fleet. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 197.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Hicks, gentleman, praying that, having come over with his Majesty and raised men at Exeter at his own charge, he may have a company or other command in the army. Referred to the Commissioners for the Army. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 4. Passes for Samuel Ernest van Votter to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 86]; for Messrs. Combrebune, Blisson and Tissier to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 87]; for Cornelis Alberts, of Rotterdam, a Dutchman, to go to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 192.]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Attorney-General. It is his Majesty's pleasure that you send out the warrant to the Clerk of the Petty Bag to prepare a commission to be passed under the Great Seal, to authorise John Crosset, Edward Wigg, Charles Chetwynd, Dionisius Andrews, and William Collier, or any three or more of

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them, to enquire by the oaths of good and lawful men of Middlesex, or by other lawful means, whether the office of Warden of the Fleet, formerly granted to Sir Jeremy Whichcote, deceased, by his late Majesty, is not forfeited or otherwise become void. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 285.]

Mar. 4. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to Mr. Russell. The King commands me to send you the enclosed copy of some news, which was received this afternoon from Barnstaple, his Majesty thinking it necessary for his service that you should be acquainted with it as soon as possible. He gave me no other directions to send you. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 80.] *Enclosing* :—

Extract from letter dated March 1. *Yesterday arrived here two vessels from the Islands of Scilly; the masters report that on Friday being* 21*st February they were chased by two French men-of-war, but they got in thither before they could come up with them. When they were got in safety, they saw* 22 *great ships pass within sight of the Islands, being about four leagues off and steering their course towards the coast of Ireland; they judged them all to be French men-of-war, but they saw that the wind shortly after came northward and blew hard so that they doubted whether they could make the coast of Ireland, or no.* [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 5. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Eleanor Parsons, widow, of Holcombe in Devon, praying for a commission of review in a suit by John Hungerford, proctor to Grace Parsons, a minor, against the petitioner, as to the probate of a will. Referred to the Commissioners of the Great Seal. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 198.]

Mar. 5. Passes for Philip du Puy, and Dr. Favour to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 88]; and for Mrs. Albertina Van Loon and her son Mr. John Van Loon to go from Harwich or the river to the same place and to return. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 89.]

Mar. 6. Edinburgh. Sir Patrick Hume and D. Forbes to the King. Since the last account given, the design of some here has changed its shape. It was at first to reject this set of Lords of the Session upon the invalidity or illegality of their establishment; if that could not be done, to do nothing else, not so much as to provide for the defence of the country, or for "debelling" the common enemy. When this difficulty was overcome, and many got persuaded to settle the government of the church (which is a gratifying point to the generality of people), to provide redress for persons "forfaulted" or fined (which also pleases many) and to appoint pay for the army, whereby the nation may be defended, before the Parliament should go to any other business. Then the design of opposers took a new shape, viz., to settle the Presbyterian government in the church, *ante omnia*, but that in such a high sort, as probably you, and moderate men, cannot easily agree to, and which would not suit with your Majesty's affairs in England. This was to make division in the Presbyterian party, by raising the humours of less considering men to an extravagant height; but the high party finding that, rather than mar all, the moderate men would go a great length, even though they had sometimes to mend afterwards, are forced to present their design in

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another shape, and that is to settle church and state, as they speak, with one dash, by rescinding the Act Rescissory made *in anno* 1661, cap. 15. In following this motion, pains are taken by some, and truly it is in itself grateful and taking to many even well meaning people who do not discern that others who promote it are only aiming, by one means or another, to make a breach between you and the Parliament, and, if it be possible, to force you to dissolve it. All this puts men, who wish their country well, to hard work and perpetual pains to inform and influence such as are in hazard to be misled, and indeed there is great difficulty in it, neither can any man reasonably take upon him to assert how the majority of opinions will go, there is so visible an unfixedness in men's spirits at this time; yet there is great hope that the moderate party will be stronger in the House, and the assurance of the Parliaments sitting is very satisfactory to all good men, and displeasing to such as are esteemed designers of confusion. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 4.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir James Rushout. I have both your letters, the former of which enclosed a copy of the further examination of John Kelly, wherein there seems to be so large a discovery made of several dangerous designs and practices against the government, and so many persons concerned, that before any further directions can be given in it, it is thought necessary to have Kelly and Jones examined before the Lords of the Council, who are appointed a committee for the purpose, in order to which a messenger went down yesterday to Worcester with a *Habeas Corpus* for bringing them up thither. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 284.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. The same to Lord Massereene. I have received your lordship's letter by the hands of Lieutenant Molloy, and shall, upon your lordship's recommendation, be ready to give that gentleman what assistance I can in his pretensions, if he would give me any opportunity of doing it, but hitherto I have had none, not having so much as seen or heard of him since the delivery of your lordship's letter. The hardship, I presume he complains of, is that one whom he had made a prisoner of war, should be made a captain over his head, which, I must confess, I think seems very unreasonable; however, that person being since dead, the matter, of course, is determined. [*Ibid., p.* 284.]

Mar 6. News letter. Letters from Edinburgh say that an action occurred near Newry. After an obstinate resistance the Irish were beaten into Dundalk. 4,000 Highlanders came into Argylshire, upon which the fiery cross was raised and everyone appeared in arms, but when they were marched against, they were found to be only 80, and they fled. On the 2nd inst. the *Elizabeth,* of London, arrived at Plymouth from St. Malo with 120 English prisoners, among them the captain of the *Firedrake.* They say that when they came from St. Malo on the 1st inst. four merchantmen sailed from there for Ireland and some were ready to sail next day. That there were at Brest 40 men-of-war ready to sail for Ireland and

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about 200 merchantmen and tenders and 10,000 men well provided for a campaign, and 100 field cannon and other necessaries of war.

The *Samuel* and *Henry* from the eastward, with 27 merchantmen bound for Virginia, have come into Plymouth. The *Culpepper*, of London, has been damaged. The *Advice*, having lost her cable, broke upon the rocks, but was got off again with some damage, Mr. Parsons, the incumbent of St. Michael's, Crooked Lane, has been excommunicated for attempting to preach when forbidden to do so by the Bishop, and for not taking the oaths. It is said that the justices of the peace of Charles II.'s time will be restored. Another precept has been issued to the Clerks of the Halls here to make a list of the liverymen dead or gone abroad. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letter* 3, *No.* 96, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p* 327.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Lawrence, stating that he was instrumental in saving the forts of Tilbury, and Gravesend, when attacked by 700 Irish. Prays for a settled place of service. Referred to the officers of the Ordnance. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 199.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Grant of a license to Richard Blome, of St. James', Westminster, gent., for the sole printing of the History of the Bible, with sculptures and maps, for 15 years. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 201.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Commissions for James Wilde to be lieutenant of the "trainband soldiers" for the town of St. Peter's, in the Isle of Thanet, under the command of Captain Jeffry Tomlin; and for Robert Wetherden to be ensign of the same company [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 93]; for James René, gentleman, to be ensign in Lieutenant-Colonel Ralph Delavall's company in the first regiment of foot guards commanded by Henry, Viscount Sydney. [*Ibid.* 3, *p.* 8.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick to cause the brass ordnance, with their carriages and equipages, and the powder, shot, granadoe shells, carcasses, tents and other ammunition and provisions of war, to be sent to Ireland, and upon their arrival there, to cause them to be delivered to Frederick, Duke of Schomberg. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 10.]

Mar. 6. Warrant to Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower, to receive Matthew Crone, *alias* Long, charged with high treason. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 89.]

Mar. 6. Certificate that Thomas Cox, esquire, envoy-extraordinary to the Swiss Cantons, took leave of his Majesty on the 20th of July last. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 90.]

Mar. 6. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Cadwallader Griffith to go to Wales, for Arent Comless and Peter Gysen to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; for Jan Henricke, ditto; for Captain Charles Walcott to go to Dunstable; for Captain Coward, Mr. Roynon and Mrs. Sparrow to go to Bath; for Jannitie Jansg and three children to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 89]; for William Pereyra to go from Chester to Ireland;

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for Mr. Thomas Kilpatrick to go to Chester [*Ibid., p.* 90]; for David Ogilby and John Innes, servants to Captain Reid, to go from the river to Scotland [*Ibid., p.* 91]; for James Hammell, lately a captain in Barbary and now returning thither, to obtain his freedom, to go to Barbary with ten musket barrels for the Emperor of Fez and Morocco, as a present from the King, and 22 of the same with which he hopes to purchase his liberty. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 92.]

Mar. 7. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Complains of defects in the officers, troops, provisions, and artillery, none of which are to be depended upon, and is afraid that, when the King comes his Majesty's plans will be retarded in consequence of these defects. Has written to the Tower for some pieces of artillery, but the authorities are very long in sending them. If he had only four demi-cannon he would besiege Charlemont, where it would be inconvenient to leave the enemy in the rear when the King advances. Again complains of the want of money at the Tower, asking the King to order some to be sent to Mr. Bertie, the treasurer, in order that the tents for the cavalry and infantry may be paid for and despatched at once, as the vessels have a circuitous route to follow, and a delay in their arrival would retard the King's march. Mr. Robinson discussed with me yesterday evening, how ammunition and bread are to be provided, for there is no money. The officers' pay is in arrear, and they cause me much concern. I am surprised that nobody sends you money to pay the army. If I had the 100,000*l.* your Majesty gave me sometime ago, you should willingly have it.

The three companies of Danish infantry which left Whitehaven, and which were thought to be lost, have arrived. A small vessel has come from Hoylake, but no Danish troops, although for more than six days the wind has been fair.

Mr. Robinson has provided 42 horses, but they are in poor condition and little fitted for work. He (Robinson) has given them some hope that by an agreement just made they will soon have some hay and oats. The regiments are much in need of them, and when received, they shall be moved to places near the sea. *Partly printed by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 5.]

Mar. 7. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The Envoy-Extraordinary from the Emperor, arrived here yesterday, to ask for the troops of this family against the common enemy. We hear that 4,000 of the Hessian troops are already marched, and it is high time that the others were in motion. This Duke had by last post, an account of our success at Newry, which makes me impatient for letters. The French letters say that the Count Lauzun is at Brest, and that he has sent to complete those things that are not ready for his Irish expedition. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 190.]

Mar. 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Dover. I have received your letter concerning the 13 French factors, who, being lately released in exchange for so many English masters, and passengers already sent over from St. Malo, desire leave to hire a boat to transport themselves and their necessaries for Dieppe, or any other port

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of France. I have laid this letter before the King, and his Majesty directs me to tell you that he would have you permit them to hire a boat, as is desired, they giving security for her safe return. But the King would have you take care that no other person be suffered to go off with them, nor any letters or papers, but such only as relate to their private affairs. I think it will be convenient to give these gentlemen all just and reasonable assistance in this matter, since whatever civility these persons meet with here, may, upon their report, produce the like effect in favour of their Majesties' subjects in France. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 285.]

Mar. 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Samuel Thompson, Robert Clayton, Adam Bellamy and other merchants, owners of the ship *Arcana*, Captain Wood, commander, praying for a commission as privateer without pay, as granted in the case of the *Sea Horse*, John Hawe, commander. Referred to the Admiralty, the King being inclined to grant the same. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 198.]

Mar. 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Lieutenant John Chichester, stating that on the presentation of a former petition, an order was made to the Duke of Ormond to acquaint Mr. Harboard that petitioner was to be allowed half-pay as lieutenant of horse, but Mr. Harboard now refuses the same without a positive order from his Majesty. Prays for such order. Referred to the Committee for the Affairs of Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 200.]

Mar. 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Kemp, keeper of the armoury at Whitehall, stating that he had a grant of the same office from the Duke of Schomberg, and also a grant appointing him to be furbisher of the armoury in the Grand Chamber, which offices are now given to Mons. Beaulason. Prays to be reinstated. Referred to the office of the Ordnance. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 7. Commission for Col. John Berkeley to be brigadier-general of horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 111.]

Mar. 7. Protection for David Steward from being impressed for sea service. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 92.]

Mar. 7. Passes and post-warrants for Lord Ailesbury to go to Ampthill; for Mr. Christian Vanbreda, his wife, daughter, and cousin to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book*, *p.* 90]; for Mr. Charles Albrett to go to Torquay and to return; for Mr. Anthony Bowyer, with James Gibbon, his servant, to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; and for Levi Vallat to go from Harwich to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 91.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Tenby. I have, some time since, seen an account sent up by the Collector at Milford Haven concerning Mathew Crone, who came over to Tenby in a ship from Wexford, where, producing a pass and pretending he had a packet of letters for the King, he was furnished with horses to carry him towards London. It appears since that he was sent from Ireland as

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a spy, and I desire you would recollect yourself, and confer with those who have seen him, and send me a full description of him, both of his person, his habit, and his age as near as it can be guessed. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 285.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Deputy-Lieutenants of Hertfordshire. I send you a copy of a letter from the Lords of the Council together with the King's proclamation for the discovering, apprehending, and sending to the fleet, all such seamen as have withdrawn themselves from the service of their King and country. It has already had a very good effect in these parts, by bringing out many seamen that lay hidden, and I do not question that it will have much greater, when gentlemen of estates and authority in their respective counties shall everywhere seriously concern themselves to enforce the king's commands which tend so much to the public safety. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 286.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The same to Sir Mathew Bridges. I have received your letter with the account of taking Mr. Slingsby and Armstrong. His Majesty is satisfied with the care and diligence used in those parts in looking after suspected persons, which he would have continued, there being grounds to believe that the enemies to the Government are now at work to hatch their ill-designs. Since there appears so much ingenuity in Mr. Slingsby, care should be taken to draw from him a free discovery of those who engaged him in this party, who were associated in it, and what their intentions were; a full confession hereof will not only procure his enlargement, but recommend him to the King's favour and when you have brought him to open himself, on those heads, it would be very well if you could afterwards get him to put his discoveries into writing, to be shown to his Majesty. I will let Sir Henry Goodrick know you are in want of arms. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 286.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Attorney-General. The king having thought fit to sign a warrant for inserting Timothy Herlogen, now a prisoner, under sentence of death, in Newgate, in the next general Newgate pardon, and it being for his Majesty's service that Timothy Herlogen should be forthwith discharged, in order to his going over to Ireland, I desire you will let me have your opinion whether it can be done by law. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 287.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The same to Lord Lucas. His Majesty commands me to direct you permit Matthew Crone [or Croen] *alias* Long, now a prisoner in your custody for high treason, to walk upon the Tower leads once a day, if he desire it, provided it be done in the presence of a warder or such other person as your lordship shall appoint. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. Robert Hughes, coroner of Flintshire, who will wait upon you with this, having by the King's directions, soon after his accession to the crown, been employed in securing Irish papists that were making towards the Welsh coast with a design to get over into Ireland, did accordingly stop and secure about 30 of them at Holywell, for 12 days, and afterwards, by Major General

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Kirke's orders) he carried them to Chester. In doing this he says that he laid out, and stands bound for the payment of, 18*l.* and upwards; I desire, therefore, that you will move the Lords of the Treasury that they will be pleased to take this matter into their consideration, and give such directions in it as their lordships shall think fit. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)*, *p.* 287.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Dover. Having considered the papers and examination of Morgan Byrne, received from you about a week since, I am of opinion it will be for their Majesties' service to have him brought up thither, in order to his further examination, and therefore have given orders for a *Habeas Corpus* which will go down on Monday next accordingly. In the meantime I think fit to observe to you that amongst those papers there is a letter dated January 15th last, to Thomas Green, either the father or son, in Dover, asking them to pay 5*l.* which they owe to the said Byrne. You are to send for Thomas Green, and his son, and to examine them touching the same, and to give me an account of it. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 288.]

Mar. 8. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Michael Cole and Thomas Fermin, gentleman, stating they have not received the 1,000*l.* given to them by the Commissioners for the relief of the Irish protestants. Pray for speedy payment. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 201.]

Mar. 8. Pardon for William Gilman and William Dyche, convicted of felony, at the Reading Assizes. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 93.]

Mar. 8. Passes for Alexander Broquet, John Broquet, and Jean Broquet to go from Harwich to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 91]; for James Alij, a native of Ghent, to go from Dover or from the river to Flanders, and to William Wandrum, his wife and two children to go from Harwich or from the river to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 93.]

[Mar. 9.] Commissions for Sir John Chapman, knt. mayor of London, or the mayor of London for the time being Sir William Aleyn, bart., Sir John Lawrence, Sir William Turner, Sir Robert Clayton, Sir Patience Ward, Sir William Pritchard, Sir Henry Tulse, Sir Robert Jeffery, Sir Henry Pollexfen, Attorney-General, Sir George Treby, Solicitor General, the Recorder of London, or the Recorder of London for the time being, Thomas Pilkington, esq., Sir Jonathan Raymond, Sir Thomas Stampe, Sir Samuel Dashwood, Sir Benjamin Thoroughgood, Sir William Ashurst, Christopher Lethieullier esq., Sir Thomas Lane, Sir Humphrey Edwin, Sir John Fleet, Sir Benjamin Newland, Sir Thomas Fowle, and Sir John Matthews, Sir Henry Ashurst, bart., Sir John Lethieuller, Sir Peter Vandeputt, Sir William Russell, Sir Jeremy Sambrooke, Sir William Hedges, Sir John Mordant, bart., Sir Gabriel Roberts, William Love, Thomas Papillon, Joseph Herne, Thomas Frederick, John Birch, William Kiffen, John Gardiner, Charles Chamberlain, Edward Underhill, George Sitwell Thomas Western, John Jolliffe, Charles Thorold, John Crispe, Richard Onslow, John Smith,

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Nathaniel Tench, Francis Chamberlain, John Hammond, James Hudson, Thomas Langham, Peter Houblon, John Maurice, James Houblon, Leonard Robinson, William Jarret, John Houblon, Daniel Mercer, Francis Child, Andrew Kenrick, John Flavell, Robert Whittingham, William Warren, John Railey, Francis Gosfright, William Scawen, Michael Godfrey, John Roach (?) John Johnson, Samuel Powell, Joseph Bowles, John Cox, in the ward of Bridge, Abraham Wessell, Walter Coventry, James Denew, Thomas Cooke, goldsmith, Joseph Scriven, Daniel Allen, Ralph Grange, Robert Raworth, Francis Moore, Thomas Shaw, John Cooke, in the ward of Bassieshaw, William Hawker, James Bodington, Edward Clarke, Henry Hatley, Richard Bristow, Lawrence Dyer, Edward Harrison, Obadiah Sedgwick, William Walker, John Adams, Jeremy Whitlock, Richard Peirce, and Edmond Bolter, gentlemen, appointing them lieutenants of the City of London. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 6.]

Mar. 9. Post-warrant for James Tankard, ensign in the Duke of Bolton's regiment, to go to Plymouth. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 93.]

Mar. 10. Edinburgh. Sir Patrick Hume to the King. The motion of the violent party here for settling church and state at one dash, by rescinding the 15th Act of the Parliament of 1662, called the Act Rescissory of the Parliaments of 1640, 1641, &c., though it took with some at first, yet now, when the evident wreck and bad design of it is laid open and made clear by the pains of moderate men, it comes to be quite exploded and rejected; so that now they recur to the first ground of assaulting the establishment of the Lords of Session, as an encroachment upon the right of the nation. Withal, they still labour to possess the minds of the people that this Parliament will not be allowed to meet till you return victorious from Ireland, and that then you will settle prelacy here, and a government arbitrary enough.

Since your Secretary came hither, they vaunt here, as having it from England, that being secretly joined to the Church of England, he is sent to abuse and cheat the Presbyterians of Scotland. Moderate men meet and oppose these inventions and with a visible success; and if the parliament, as its not meeting would, in all probability, put your interest here in great danger, and exceedingly gratify and strengthen the violent spirits and your enemies, so, in all appearance, its meeting will be without hazard. The payment of arrears due to the army, and maintaining it for this campaign at least, will, it is reasonably hoped, be carried in this House with considerable advantage of votes, though all the masked Jacobites, who much fortify the violent, come in, as it is expected, and swallow down the oath of allegiance on purpose to do mischief. The great part of the Presbyterian ministers, to do them justice, is very moderate, and inclined to accommodate itself to what the case of your affairs in England requires, and as can be brought to consist with its not being suspected by the generality of the people. You can hardly imagine how much it would change matters here, if the Lord President Stair, now a very old man, should resign his office.

Postscript.—I must be plain with you upon the matter of your naming a Commissioner to the Parliament; those who are most

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concerned for the interest and honour of your service, are afraid of the Duke of Hamilton being the man; and, besides that, in this juncture, the best service is not to be expected from him. They do not think it honourable enough for you to offer this commission to him after his refusing that of first in the "chancellarie" when offered by you. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 6.]

Mar. 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Marlborough. The King being moved upon the enclosed petition, is pleased to direct it should be transmitted to you to examine what is therein alleged, and to give such directions in it as you shall think fit. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 288.]

Mar. 10. Whitehall. The same to the Commissioners of the Customs. With reference to the enclosed advice of several vessels, which, about January last, went from the Thames and carried powder, lead, tin and leather, into the port of Dunkirk, the King desires you will enquire into that matter, abuses of this kind being very frequent. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 10. Whitehall. The same to Captain Crawford. I have received your letter this morning with a letter from Mr. Fuller and a key enclosed. I have not seen the King to give him an account thereof, though I do not question but he will be well pleased that you have so well maintained the reputation you have for fidelity and affection to his service. You may give Mr. Fuller his liberty, but he must attend if there be occasion. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 289.]

Mar. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Samuel Lavergne, praying to serve in some English regiment going to Flanders or Ireland. Referred to the Commissioners for the Army. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 201.]

Mar. 10. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Downing, praying for a grant of lands settled to popish uses in the counties of Stafford, Nottingham, Huntingdon and Bucks. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 203.]

Mar. 10 Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Bulkeley, praying for a grant of lands settled to popish uses. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 10. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Manchester, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Huntingdon, to appoint Charles Cæsar, John Proby, and John Pocklington his deputy-lieutenants. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 35.]

Mar. 10. Blank warrant for Lord Sydney to seize treasonable papers. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 95.]

Mar. 10. Passes for Mr. James Irwin to go to Scotland and return with his wife [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 93]; for Captain Gatine, and Mons. Languedoc, and for Jacob Jansen and Jacob Claesse, to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 94]; for Francis Varin and Pierre Dauphin to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 95.]

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Mar. 11. Fisherwick. Lord Massereene, to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] I must acknowledge your Lordship's favourable inclination to Lieut. Molloy. I despair of success regarding my requests to the King, having waited so long in London, and since I came into the country have observed that no opportunity of my serving the King can be laid hold of. I am not so much as in the commission of the peace for the counties of Stafford and Warwick, where I was born to no inconsiderable fortune. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 104.]

Mar. 11. Cash Account.—"Disposable money" 106,665*l.* 8*s.* 0¾*d.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 7.]

Mar. 11. Minutes of proceedings in the Assembly of Holland with notes in the Earl of Portland's handwriting, on naval matters. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 8.]

Mar. 11. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. I desire you to help me in my want of a Secretary. I must beg you to find out if possible Mr. David Eger, who was secretary to Mr. Poley, and was recommended to me by Mr. Henry Poley of the Temple before I came from home. Our ministers of these courts begin their conference about the 3,000 men desired by the Emperor's Envoy, this house having furnished the like number last year. The great news from Ireland was most welcome to all honest people, and the more so because the French had bragged beforehand of a great advantage the Irish had gained. We shall soon see how the Duke of Hanover's journey holds to the court of Saxe, the Vice-Chancellor Fabulion has returned with the ministers of Hanover and Wolfenbüttle, and no conclusion made with that Elector. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 200.]

Mar. 11. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Abingdon. At your request, the King has signed a warrant for the pardon of William Gilman and William Dyche; but since that time Mr. Justice Rokeby, who sat upon their trial, has been with me to represent to his Majesty that he had reprieved them accordingly, but that there was a general dissatisfaction amongst the inhabitants of those parts to find that William Dyche was not to suffer by law, in regard that he, having been a notorious offender, and by a profession a ratcatcher, is so well acquainted with all the secret corners and avenues of their houses, that they apprehend themselves in continual danger of being robbed, if he should be pardoned. I thought fit to give you notice of this, that I might know whether upon this representation of his case, you may not be willing to waive your former intercession on his behalf, so that the warrant for his pardon may be revoked. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 289.]

Mar. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Earl of Marlborough. I send you a copy of an information about Capt. Boyd, a Scotch papist, now in the English army in Flanders, that you may inform yourself of his character and give such directions in this matter as you may think fit. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 290.]

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Mar. 11. Whitehall. The same to the Lieutenancy of London. The King having received a good character of the loyalty and great ability of Captain Joseph Hyde, wherewith he has performed the office of Muster-Master of the City militia under the late lieutenancy, is pleased to command and in the most effectual manner to recommend the said Mr. Hyde to you that he may be continued as Muster-Master. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 290.]

Mar. 11. London. News letter. From Chester they write that the Duke of Wurtemburg and three battalions were shipped on the 7th inst. at Hoylake, and another came into Chester on the same day. It is believed that about 1,000 men marched from Liverpool to Hoylake for Ireland. The *Charles* galley and hoy are still at Pembroke. The *Guinea* frigate has sailed from there. From Plymouth, of the 7th, we are advised that the Duke of Bolton's regiment was shipping for the West Indies. A great fleet was seen off the Lizard on the 4th inst. Our letters from Holland of the 16th say that after Herr Wittson and Hoost had had a conference with the Pensionary of Holland; it was concluded that the resolutions of the States against Amsterdam on the 28th January and 27th and 28th of February should be immediately struck out of the register. The Articles concluded on are these;—first, that Amsterdam will send her 14 judges to the States of Holland on condition that nothing shall be transacted that shall prejudice the town of Amsterdam; secondly, that the States shall bind themselves to terminate the difficulties about the judges of Amsterdam within six months; thirdly, that in case the dispute be not settled, it shall be a law for the future that the election shall be a Court of Justiciary for Holland.

A ship, under Dutch colours, has taken a small ketch belonging to Weymouth; it is believed she belongs to St. Malo. The Lord Mayor and Common Council met and agreed upon:—1st., the settlement of the Irish Society; 2ndly, that care be taken of the city lands and vaults; and 3rdly, that thanks be given to the late members of Parliament for the care they took of the Orphans' Bill and for preserving the charter of the city. The Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Sheriffs will attend the King this afternoon in council. Sir William Pritchard, Sir William Turner, Sir Samuel Dashwood, and Sir Thomas Vernon, are chosen members for the city. The French have commanded new contributions from the inhabitants of the Rhine and the Moselle, and in case of refusal threaten to burn them. The Allies in general will prevent all correspondence with France and will oblige all others not entered into the Confederacy. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 97, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 329.]

Mar 11. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, desiring that he cause the necessary arms, out of the stores remaining within the office of the Ordnance, to be delivered to Col. Thomas Langston, viz., 30 short carbines and 30 pairs of pistols with holsters, being for arming those men who supplied the detachments drawn out of his (?) regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 14.]

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Mar. 11. Allowance of 203*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* expenses to Charles, Lord Dursley, Baron de Berkeley, envoy-extraordinary to the States General of the United Provinces, from 6th September 1689, to 6th March 1690. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 195.]

Mar. 11. Passes and post-warrants for Mons. Du Boys to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; for James Dawson to go to Lincolnshire and return [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 95]; for Francis Widrow to go from the river to Scotland; and for Mary Cozens to go by the vessel for the exchange of prisoners to France. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 96.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners for the Exchange of Prisoners. Mrs. Mary Cousens, (*see foregoing entry*) who has my pass for France, intending to get a passage on board a vessel, which you are sending thither with an exchange of prisoners, though I do not oppose her being received on board, yet, before she goes off, I desire you will take care to have her searched for letters and other papers, and that all such as shall be found about her be transmitted up to me. This caution does not proceed from any particular suspicion I have of this person, for I would have it serve as a general direction in the case of all other persons who go into France. She has a letter from me to the Duchess of Portsmouth, which I desire you will let her carry. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 291.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Mr. Pereyra, "Commissary-General of the bread for their Majesty's Forces in Ireland," having occasion to make up a small hoy and a few men to carry several presses and engines for the pressing of hay, into Essex and Kent, under the care and inspection of Henry Corbet and Edward White, and being apprehensive lest any of them should be pressed for the sea, the King commands that you grant a protection to the said Henry Corbet, Edward White, and such persons as shall be by them immediately employed in the said service for so long time as your lordships shall think convenient. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Sotherne. I am told that one George Hartford, a porter, has been lately pressed. I suppose such persons will be very unserviceable in the fleet, therefore I desire you will acquaint the Lords Commissioners with it, and if they find this man unqualified, they are to order his discharge. [*H.O. Admiralty*, 3 *p.* 33.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Ravenhill, Clerk of the Grocers' Company, showing that he has spent 10 years in the service of the Company "for settling a nursery of charity," and has been for several years past at a great charge about discovering a title in the Crown to certain derelict lands near the Humber, as he was agent to Sir Thomas Chichley. Prays that since some part of this discovery is allotted to Sir Thomas Chichley towards a just debt from the Crown, that one moiety of the remainder may be granted to him, and the other moiety may be employed in a charity towards the said Grocers' Company. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 69.]

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Mar. 12. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the shipwrights, ropemakers, and their workmen at Chatham Dockyard, praying for payment of arrears. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 201.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Hill, praying that he may be a volunteer on board the *Grafton*, the Duke of Grafton, commander. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 202.]

Mar. 12. Whitehall. Warrant for appointing Sir Robert Atkyns, knight, chief baron of the Court of Exchequer, to occupy the place of Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper in the House of Lords. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 99.]

Mar. 12. Pass and post-warrant for Donald Ross to go to Scotland; and for Captain Biggs to go to Huntingdon. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 96.]

Mar. 13. Mr. Robert Ayleway's whole charge as commissary of the artillery and ammunition; that is, the proportion sent for the service of Ireland, which he gave his receipt for at the Tower, and what he has in any way received since. The items are arranged alphabetically. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 2.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir George St. George. I have received your letter concerning Roger Tilley, and am of opinion that the Duke of Schomberg's suspicion of him is not without ground, and that there was sufficient cause for sending him over into England; wherefore, unless he has a mind to procure his liberty by a *Habeas Corpus*, it will be convenient that he remain in custody till I hear from his Grace whether he has any matter to lay to his charge. In order whereunto I have, by this post, written to the Duke about it. As soon as I have his answer I will lay it before the King, and whatever directions his Majesty shall give, I will let you know by the first opportunity. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 292.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. The same to the Attorney-General. His Majesty commands me to signify his pleasure to you that the next general pardon which is to come out for the convicts of Newgate, be despatched as soon as conveniently it may be done. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Justice Eyre. His Majesty being informed that John Rowley *alias* Day is committed to Gloucester gaol for horse stealing, and that he pretends to make great discovery of clippers, coiners, horse-stealers, highwaymen, etc., I am commanded to signify to you his Majesty's pleasure that you put off the trial of this man till the following assizes, that it may be seen in the meantime what he can make out against these he accuses. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. The same to Major-General Mackay. At the request of Colonel Hastings, the King directs that I should write to you, in his name, to propose to Colonel Canon the exchange of Robert Jacob and Andrew Hays, lieutenants in Hastings' regiment, for Major Borne and Captain Napper, two of his officers that are now prisoners at Carrickfergus. [*Ibid.*]

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Mar. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Christianus Neuman, showing that, by an Act of Parliament prohibiting the importation of the commodities of the growth and manufacture of France, Normandy glass for windows was included, and the same has thereby become scarce. He, for supply thereof, has found a way of mixing metals so as to make glass for windows after the Normandy fashion, and as good as the French, whereby great sums of money will be preserved in the Kingdom, and the subjects employed, to the benefit of the nation. Prays that he may be allowed letters patent for this invention for 14 years, excluding all others from making the said glass, as is provided by the statute. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 70.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Phineas Bowles, stating that he has been superseded in his office by Mr. Sotherne at the Admiralty. Prays to be reinstated in the same office or for some other employment equal to it. Referred to the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, 2, *p.* 199.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Rebecca Fewster, stating she has three bills signed by the Duke of Schomberg to Sir Henry Goodrick for the use of the ship, *Horse* at Hoylake. Prays for payment of 193*l.* 1*s.* the amount of one bill. Referred to the officers of the Ordnance. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 204.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. Proceedings of the Council. This day Sir Henry Goodrick, baronet, Lieut.-General of their Majesties' Ordnance, with the principal officers of the Ordnance, presented to the Board several orders and instructions, formerly directed to be observed by the Governors, Captains, Commanders, store-keepers and gunners of and in their Majesties' garrisons, castles, forts, and blockhouses, for prevention of superfluous and unnecessary waste or expense of powder, shot, match, arms, and other ammunition and gunners' stores whatsoever. Which being read and approved of, it was ordered, his Majesty being present in council, that the Master-General of their Majesties' Ordnance, and in his absence the Lieut.-General and principal officers of the Ordnance, do cause copies of the same to be sent and delivered to all and every the aforesaid persons who are willed and required, in all and every particular, punctually and carefully to observe the same. And the said Master-General of the Ordnance, and in his absence the Lieut.-General and principal officers of the same, are hereby empowered and required to receive a just and true account from all and every of them of their exact performance and obedience hereunto. *Signed* William Blathwait. The orders and instructions follow, drawn up under nine heads. *Printed.* [*H.O. Admiralty* 1, *No.* 8.]

Mar. 13. Caveat that no grant pass to George Watson, of certain lands in the parish of Deal, called Sea Watly or Deal Beach, without notice to the Earl of Nottingham. Notice to be given to Mr. John Inch in Fenchurch Street, near Ironmongers' Hall. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 8.]

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Mar. 13.–Apr. 6. Caveat that no pardon pass for Anthony St. Leger or Edward Poer, till Mons. D'Overkirk, Master of the Horse, have notice. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 9.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, desiring him to cause 240 pikes, 208 French tents, 13 bell tents or covers, for the service of the regiment of foot commanded by Colonel John Foulke, to be sent to the colonel. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 14.]

Mar. 13. Whitehall. Commission to John Wagstaff, gent., to be ensign to Capt. Michael Duncan in Col. Ferdinando Hastings' regiment; and to Samuel Raymond, gent., to be ensign to the colonel in the same regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 13.]

Mar. 13. Certificate, that Sir Gabriel Sylvins, late envoy-extraordinary to the King of Denmark, returned on the 12th August last. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 196.]

Mar. 13. Warrants for the appointment of Sir Richard Middleton as *Custos Rotulorum* of the county of Denbigh, and Sir John Wynn, as *Custos Rotulorum* of the county of Merioneth. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 197.]

Mar. 13. Pass for Peter Combrune and John Tessier, French officers, to go to Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 196.]

Mar. 14. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Sends the muster rolls of the army and points out their inutility; suggests that payments should not be made at fixed times as in Holland. Recommendations to the King with regard to the payment of sick men in the hospital at Belfast, of whom there are not more than 200 or 300. If the King considers the advice good, instructions to that effect should be given to Mr. Harboard or to anyone else who may be sent to pay the army.

As for the artillery, I wish to remind your Majesty to despatch the transports, as time is needed to unload, and to put it into a condition for service. Money is required for the artillery as much as for the army, and it would seem, can only be provided from the Customs. Eight days ago I recommended Van Homrigh and Robinson to borrow horses from the country people for the conveyance of biscuit, bread, cheese, and butter, thereby averting the clamour of the officers who have not received pay for several months. The Danish troops, arrived three days ago, I have made arrangements for their subsistence and for suitable quarters for them.

Asks the King, in case it should be necessary to mass the troops, whether he would command the left wing, and intrust himself to a guard of English only, and as to other details.

Pereyra's brother has arrived, and I have given him my opinion as to the precautions he should take. I am of opinion that the enemy will hold Drogheda. One cannot approach that town, by the side bordering the sea; for whether the King advances by way of Newry and Drogheda or by that of Armagh and Belturbet, he will always come upon the Boyne near Navan, or five or six miles higher up, and there have to force the passage of the river. Some people in England may advise going along the sea shore, but I see many difficulties in crossing, at low tide, the river which comes from Drogheda, with a great equipage of artillery and waggons.

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I understand that the enemy have had great trouble in re-establishing their troops who are much disgusted at their last campaign and at having to be so long in camp without opportunities of pillage. Many have fallen ill and you will not find them in so good a condition as they boast; but they have great hopes that 8,000 men from France will join them. They had 40,000 men altogether, when they were encamped at Ardee, and they had, moreover, 15,000 or 16,000 in Dublin, Drogheda, Cork, Kinsale, and on the river Shannon. They are in need of arms and powder.

Again asks the King to send 15 or 20 ships to hinder the enemy's embarkation. Begs the King to write to Holland to forward recruits for his (Schomberg's) regiment, and also a considerable number for the three regiments of French infantry. These recruits had already come from Switzerland to Holland. Complains of the ill-conduct of the captains of the small war-ships which put in at English ports during the winter, and have caused much prejudice to the King's service. Has sent two cruisers, one towards Dublin, and one towards Dundalk, to hinder the commerce of Drogheda. Captain Wright and Captain Masters have captured a small vessel from Dublin on its way to Scotland. Lord Shrewsbury had been apprised of these things. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 10.]

Mar. 14. Edinburgh. Sir Patrick Hume to the King. This day your warrant for Lord Melville to be Commissioner in the ensuing session of Parliament, being read in council, and ordered to pass the Great Seal, there is apparent satisfaction and acquiescence discerned in all the moderate and well affected among us, "and a damp and discouragement" in those who are violent or ill set. All who are most concerned for your service here concur in encouraging your Commissioner to go on well in your service, by holding this session very soon, finding that your Majesty's honour and affairs can be better promoted so, than in any other way.

One thing I earnestly beg of you, not on account of those who are convinced, but for the sure engaging of several honest and well-meaning men, who may yet be in some mistake, though neither led by irritation, pique, ambition, nor avarice; it is that you will be pleased to give as great a latitude to your Commissioner, in the great trust put upon him, as can consist with your Majesty's honour and interest, and certainly not only his Grace, but such as he consults with, will be very careful that it be used profitably and sparingly, yet to the uniting such a number of good men into one way, as may bring your affairs here to a very good pass, but more especially may obtain such a settlement of the church government in this kingdom as may make your business with the Church of England less difficult, and I consider this one of the chief designs we have to manage.

I think that some small, well timed, notes of favour and confidence, coming from you to this Parliament, would defeat all designs of ill men, sweep away all doubts and mistakes, and induce the House to go farther in the matter of imposing money for carrying on the war than ever a Scotch Parliament did at any time, which

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yet would signify more to your concerns in Europe than many times the value of the money. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 11.]

Mar. 14. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. Letters from Frankfort and other parts mention the recalling 6,000 men that have wintered in Germany. Baron Godens assured me that the Emperor would recall none of his troops. Mr. Wall, who has been some time minister at Hamburg, will in a few days return home. The Princess of East Freize before she went made a match for her niece the Princess of Etting with the younger son of the Duke of Wolfenbuttle. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 204.]

Mar. 14. From on board the *Duke*, in the Bay of Biscay. James Clarke to ———. We set sail this day sennight, and pretty good wind, but on Saturday were driven back as far as the Start, but it blew for us again, and on Saturday night and Sunday morning we lay by for the West India fleet, but they not coming out we set sail with a fair wind, but a mighty "train" which is very troublesome. On Monday we put all the ships in readiness, and sailed in a line of battle, so if the French fleet had come, in my conscience, they would not have bragged much, but the merchant men would have been in danger; but on Monday morning a Dutch privateer came from the westward and told the Admiral that he saw 30 sail of men-of-war, and 20 other ships, about 20 leagues to the westward, so that must be the French going for Ireland. On Tuesday about 4 o'clock those Dutch West India ships parted from us, and the Straits' fleet and those bound for Bilboa, so we were then 8 men-of-war, and some small ships bound for the Groyne. This is Good Friday with our folks, and at 12 o'clock this day three artists made their observations, and found we are 34 leagues from Cape Ortegal and 43 from Cape Finisterre, and the Groyne between them, and if we have any fair wind we may see land to-morrow, and the Admiral told me he should send back some of the convoy when we see land, so I prepare this against that time.

Sunday the 16th at 10 o'clock. From the topmast head, at 4 yesterday, they saw the land, and at 5, many people would have made me believe such and such dark places were land, and it was so plain to them, that to please them, and not to discover my eyes to be so bad, I said I saw it plain, but at 9 that night and till 5 or 6 this morning the wind was extreme high and made the ship, for all her greatness, pitch and roll that there was no standing for anybody or anything, but just now Captain Cornwall of the *Deptford*, who had been missing, came from the Groyne last night, and tells us we have not above nine leagues thither, but we can see no land yet. He took two prizes going for Ireland, and they are now at the Groyne, where I hope the Queen will be this day, and then I believe I shall sing "O be joyful!" Mr. Harry has been very ill; he has had the gout in both feet who was never troubled in his life before. The ship tumbles so that I cannot stand nor write. My service to Sir James Forbes and Mr. Pultney. When I come to the Groyne I will write again. I forgot to tell you that on Tuesday about 4 o'clock in the afternoon news was brought up to the Admiral that the ship was on fire. You may guess what a consternation we were all in; but the Admiral, who is a man of extraordinary temper and presence of

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mind, gave such directions to such people that it was immediately quenched; it was very near the powder room which frightened the seamen. I am glad we were not made rockets on, so God of heaven bless us and send us a good meeting. [*H.O. Admiralty* 1, *No.* 9.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Rene Grillet, showing that he has found out an engine by which all sorts of calicos, English and Scotch cloth, and other sorts of stuff may be, with ease and less charge, printed and painted in a better and more perfect manner than they now are; which engine has not been known in England or any other part of Europe, he being the first inventor. Prays to be allowed letters patent for the sole use of the said engine. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 70.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Jane Turner, widow, showing that, having lived many years in good repute in the parish of St. Margaret's, Westminster, she is now in great poverty, with a child to maintain, and is unable to work. Prays for a place as almswoman in Lady Alley, in King's Street, Westminster. Granted. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 71.]

Mar. 14. Whitehall. Allowance of expenses to Sir Gabriel De Sylvins, knight, envoy-extraordinary to the King of Denmark, of expenses from the 7th of August, 1688 to the 12th of August, 1689. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 98.]

Mar. 14. Passes and post-warrants for Mr. John Belson to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders; for Guyen Joncquet and Mark Compeigne to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 96]; for Francyntie Jansz to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Pietersie Jans to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Lady Oglethorpe to go to her house near Godalming, in Surrey [*Ibid.*, *p.* 97]; for Major Henry Davis to go to Langston, in Cornwall [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 196]; and for Anthony Beraud, Mrs. Jane Du Fay, and Anna, her maid, to go to Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 197.]

Mar. 15. Custom House. John Sanson to James Vernon. The Commissioners having now received from Mr. Dutton Colt, the collector of Bristol, a description of Crone, the passenger who came from Wexford to Tenby in January, command me to transmit the same to you, desiring you to lay it before Lord Shrewsbury. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 105.]

Mar. 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Deputy-Mayor of Rye. I have received your letter, giving an account of your having stopped John Rawlinson of London, merchant, as he was designing to transport himself for France, wherein you have expressed a due care and zeal for their Majesty's service, in regard he could not produce a pass. You may, however, permit him to proceed on his intended voyage. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 293.]

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Mar. 15. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain John Bellingham, praying for a grant, under the Statute of New Inventions of a patent for a metal for the making of morters, drakes, and other guns. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 203.]

Mar. 15. Kensington. Reprieve of Jesme Philipe Bacours, sentenced to death, for horse stealing, at the Bucks Assizes. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 199.]

Mar. 15. Kensington. Reprieve of Thomas Bew, sentenced to death, for highway robbery, at the Oxford Assizes. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 15. Whitehall. Commissions to Charles Oliver to be captain of Captain Parson's company in Colonel Foulke's regiment; to George Blakeney, gent., to be lieutenant to Major Fox, in Colonel Foulke's regiment; to ——— Shelbury to be ensign in Colonel Foulke's regiment [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 15]; to Francis Nicholls to be cornet to Lieut.-Colonel Hugh Wyndham, in Colonel Robert Byerley's regiment of horse; and to Francis Romney, gent., to be ensign to Major Joseph Johnson in the Earl of Monmouth's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 19.]

Mar. 15. Passes and post-warrants for Christian Steward and Margaret her sister, to go from London to Dundee; for Catryn Say, with five children to go from Harwich, or any part of the river, to Holland; for Jacemyntie Jansz, ditto; for John La Roache and Richard Johnson to go from Dover to Flanders; for Thomas Butler to go to Borton-on-the-Hill, in Gloucestershire [*H.O Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 97]; for Colonel Francis Hawley, Major Spicer, Lieutenant Belford, and Mr. Gerrido to go to Lincolnshire; for Major Holmes to go to Southampton [*Ibid.*, *p.* 98]; and for Lieutenant John Floyd, Ensign John Tapp and Major John Margetson, to go from London to Bristol [*Ibid.*, *p.* 103.]

Mar. 16. On board the *Duke*, three leagues from the Groyne. Admiral Russell to [the Earl of Nottingham]. This day sevennight, I sailed from Torbay, and am now in sight of the Groyne. I desire you will excuse me to the King for taking Dick and his squadron farther with me than I was ordered. I shall make all imaginable despatch to return myself. *Seal.* [*H.O. Admiralty* 5, *p.* 3.]

Mar. 16. Warrant to apprehend Peter Robinson on suspicion of treasonable practices. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 98.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for making void the letters patent appointing Henry, Delamere Under Treasurer of the Exchequer, and for appointing Richard Hampden, esq., to the same office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 99.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Warrant for making void the letters patent appointing Henry, Lord Lord Delamere as Chancellor of the Exchequer, and for appointing Richard Hampden to exercise the same office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 100.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Walter Gibson and Walter Campbell, praying for satisfaction for two Scotch ships, of which they were owners, taken by the French. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 194.]

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Mar. 16. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain William Rigg, stating that having long been an officer in the 2nd regiment of foot guards, he was ordered to Ireland as captain in Colonel Macarty's regiment, till his late Majesty's arrival, when with other Protestant officers, he quitted that employment to serve the present King. Prays for employment in the army. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 201.]

Mar. 16. Whitehall. Commission to Arthur Sprosten to be captain of the grenadiers in Colonel Foulke's regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 15.]

Mar. 17. Decrees and statutes as to the condition, number and rule of the scholars of St. Peter's College, Cambridge. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 106.]

Mar. 17. Whitehall. Warrant for appointing Sir John Lowther, of Lowther, bart., Vice-Chamberlain of the Household, Richard Hampden, esq., Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir Stephen Fox, and Thomas Pelham, esq., Commissioners of the Treasury. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 100.]

Mar. 17. Whitehall. Warrant for a commission appointing Sir Richard Temple, Sir John Werden, Sir Patience Ward, Sir Robert Clayton, knts., George Booth and Henry Guy, esq., Commissioners of the Customs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 101.]

Mar. 17. Whitehall. Commission to Joseph Emberee to be captain of Captain de Vicouse's company in Colonel Foulke's regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 15.]

Mar. 17. Passes for Lieutenant John Douglas to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake, to Ireland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 96]; for Samuel Pulse to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 98]; for Susan Reyniers, ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 98]; for 28 bakers, employed by Isaac Pereyra, Commissary-General of the Army in Ireland, to go from Bristol to Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 200.]

Mar. 18. Cash account. The receipts from the 13th include 10*l.* from the "rent of Bombay," and 25,000*l.* from "tyn farthings." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 12.]

Mar. 18. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The Duke of Hanover has given the Emperor's Envoy his reasons, in the best terms he can, for not sending any troops to the Rhine this year; the other two Dukes show all the willingness imaginable, but say that it will be a great disadvantage to their troops to join so small a body to the Imperial army. I impatiently wait to hear if you have got Mr. Eger to come to me. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 208.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Baron Lechmere. His Majesty having been moved in behalf of Mr. Gervase Cartwright, a condemned priest in Leicester gaol, commands me to signify to you that his reprieve be continued to the next summer assizes. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 293.]

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Mar. 18. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the President of St. Thomas' Hospital. The King, being very well satisfied by an ample certificate under the hands of his own and several other eminent physicians, of the great abilities of Dr. William Briggs in his profession, manifest by the many considerable cures he has performed in St. Thomas' Hospital and elsewhere, and of the necessity there is of two physicians to take care of the seamen, soldiers, and other patients in the said hospital of St. Thomas, his Majesty does very well approve of the said Dr. Briggs being continued one of the physicians of that hospital, with all the advantages and profits belonging thereto in such manner as he has formerly for many years enjoyed the same, which his Majesty has commanded me to signify to you and to recommend the said Dr. Briggs being continued in the said place accordingly. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 2, *p.* 81.]

Mar. 18. Whitehall. Commissions to ——— Harris to be captain of the company, whereof Capt. Samuel Browne was captain, in Col. Foulke's regiment [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 15]; and to Thomas Sumner, gent., to be lieutenant to Major Joseph Johnson in the Earl of Monmouth's regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Solicitor-General. I herewith send you two examinations of Kelly; and though I doubt not but you are already acquainted with the contents of them, yet seeing the discovery is so large and effects so many persons, I desire you will cast your eye over them, and return them to me as soon as possible, together with your opinion of what is fit to be done in this matter and as to which of the persons accused ought to be secured in the country and which of them will be most proper to be sent for, in order for a further examination. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 293.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. The same to the Governor of Jersey. I am informed of a very dangerous practice, some time since crept in among several of the inhabitants of Jersey, in sending ammunition from thence to St. Malo. The trade is carried on in a small uninhabited place called Ecrehos, belonging to that island where the Jerseymen and some Normandy people meet for that purpose. This traffic is encouraged by the fact that lead is worth in Jersey but twopence or threepence a pound, whereas at St. Malo it is sold at two shillings and sixpence the pound. Upon a signal given, which is the lighting of a fire upon the shore of Ecrehos, some small vessels belonging to Normandy and the Jersey boats make to that place, and drive a trade for lead, powder, and other things, the exportation whereof is prohibited by law. I have thought fit to advertise you of this, that, upon your repairing hither, you may make such use of it for the detecting a practice of so dangerous a consequence, and thereupon give some directions for the punishment of the offenders, and prevention of the like for the future. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 294.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. The same to Colonel Babbington. Some time ago, by the King's command, I wrote to Captain Hammond, Deputy-Governor of Landguard Fort, to deliver up a wreck, which happened upon that coast,

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to Sir John Barker, but being since informed that the wreck was in the custody of Captain Norgate, an officer under your command, I have here enclosed you a copy of that letter, which I desire may serve as a signification to you of his Majesty's pleasure that you give orders to Captain Norgate to deliver up the wreck. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 294.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Warrant for granting the place of Clerk of the Ordnance to Sir Thomas Littleton. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 13.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick directing that, out of the arms returned from the first regiment of Foot Guards into the stores of the Ordnance, he cause 448 firearms to be delivered to Colonel William Beveridge, for supplying the regiment of foot under his command; and also directing him to supply the said regiment with 224 firelock muskets. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 14.]

Mar. 19. Whitehall. Commission to Charles White to be captain of that company, whereof Captain Nelthorpe is captain, in Colonel Foulke's regiment of foot. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 16.]

Warrant for appointing Sir Richard Temple, Sir Robert Southwell, Sir John Werden, Sir Patience Ward, Sir Robert Clayton, knights, George Booth and Henry Guy, esquires, Commissioners of Customs. *See under date of March* 17. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 101.]

Mar. 19. Passes and post-warrants for Sir James Dawson to go to Lincolnshire [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 96]; for John Baptista Clamino to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 98]; for Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Mallett, Mr. Lemere, Mr. Chastell, Mr. Milenett and Mr. Huant to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Mrs. Eleanor Grahme, Mrs. Frances Roach, and John Murphy to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders; for William Baily, Richard Smith, Godfrey Brookes, Joseph Horsebury, Thomas West, and William Blathes, all glassmakers, to embark in the ship *Prince Christian of Denmark*, Ahasuerus Boreman, master, for Hamburgh; and for Samuel Aufrey to go from Harwich. or the river, to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 101.]

Mar. 20. A true list of the knights, citizens, and burgesses of the Parliament met at Westminster the 20th March, 1689–90, as they have been returned unto the Crown Office of Chancery. *In duplicate printed.* [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *Nos.* 107 *and* 108.]

Mar. 20. London. News letter. Letters from Edinburgh, of the 13th, say that it is uncertain whether the Duke of Hamilton, the Earl of Cashel, or the Earl of Meath will be made Lord Commissioner. A patent has passed for making Lord Melville an earl, in order to be Lord High Commissioner. Baron Jewell's regiment embarked at Greenock on the 9th and on the 14th Col. Donett's regiment was marched to the same place to embark on Tuesday next. Great preparations are making for the expedition against the Highlanders, and it is said four regiments of Scots are ordered to march for Ireland.

On the 17th the magistrates shut up the gates of Yarmouth, and the bailiffs, with the constables, went from house to house to

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press seamen. Letters from Holland say that all hands are at work fitting out their fleet, which will be composed of 65 capital ships, besides fireships and tenders. They are resolved to bring out 10,000 of their best troops for the service of the King of England and have already hired 220 ships for their transportation. It is not known whether they will land in England or Ireland; some think they intend a descent upon France, the Confederates having demonstrated the great advantage it would be to them to have France diverted by an invasion from sea.

Letters from Switzerland say that the Cantons have granted liberty to the King of England to raise 11,000 men who are to march to Piedmont to join the Vaudois and the French Protestants. They add that the Catholic Cantons will not only give liberty to the Emperor's forces to march through their territories, but will assist him with a good body of their troops the next campaign. Letters from Vienna say that Prince Louis of Baden has represented to the Emperor that it would be much to his advantage to enter into a treaty of peace with the Ottoman Court, upon which the Emperor ordered him to draw a scheme of the new conquest, and to mark out the utmost bounds of the frontiers of both the empires, which he has done, and included Transylvania and all other places on this side the rivers Danube and Save to remain under obedience to the Emperor. They say also that the Emperor's army in Hungary will consist of 48,000 men.

Letters from Flanders say that Brabant has prohibited all commerce with France. This day the Parliament met at Westminster. The Commons were sworn before the Earl of Devon, Lord High Steward, in the Court of Wards. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 98, *and Greenwich News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 331.]

Mar. 20. London. News letter. The new Commissioners of the Treasury are Sir Stephen Fox, Mr. Pelham, Sir John Lowther, and Mr. Hampden, who are to let the King have 200,000*l.* "upon the nayle," to pay his army for Ireland. Convocation is to meet at Jerusalem House the 27th inst., Lord Lumley is to be advanced. The Duke of Ormond is to have the fifth troop of guards and the Duke of Northumberland is to have his own again. The Marquis of Carmarthen is to be made a Duke and Lord Nottingham a marquis. All the postmasters in Holland attended the Council lately, in order to prohibit correspondence with France. The King of France is said to have solicited the Pope to make peace with the Emperor, that he may send his forces to England to assist King James. The Dauphin goes as General into Germany at the head of 70,000 men, 160 squadron of horse and 60 battalions of foot. [*Ibid., No.* 99, *and Ibid., p.* 385.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Memorandum of a letter from the King to Winchester College, on behalf of Thomas Welham, who desires to be chosen one of the scholars there. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 48.]

Mar. 20. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to bring up John Kelly a prisoner. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 102.]

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Mar. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for a charter of incorporation for Fowey in Cornwall, with the heads thereof. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 105.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. List of the names of the magistrates to be inserted in the new charter for Fowey:—Jonathan Tingcomb, mayor, Jonathan Tollar, Richard Cotton, John Pomeroy, Philip Goodall, John Billing, Arthur Stribly, John Toller, Peter Major, aldermen, Jonathan Rashleigh, esq., recorder, John Treffy, esq., Abraham Stevens, William Rawe, Stephen Wenmouth, Nathaniel Tingcomb, assistants Jonathan, Lord Bishop of Exeter, Jonathan Treffry, esq., and Shadrach Vincent, esq., justices of the peace. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 108.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to John Bridall of the office of Clerk of the Jewel House to hold the same in as ample a manner as Walter Bridall, father of the said John, held it. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 112.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for appointing William Nassau, gentleman, as Master of the Robes, with all fees, &c., as Lord Thomas Howard, Arthur Herbert, esq. (now Lord Torrington), and Henry Sydney, esq. (now Viscount Sydney), formerly held that office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 160.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Reprieve, until 5th April next, for William Cuffe, clerk, condemned at the Assizes at Northampton to stand in the pillory, for certain words spoken by him. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 203.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Warrant for the officers of the Ordnance to attend, in person, and not by deputy, the execution of their several offices and places. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 15.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Commissions to John Lambert to be gunner at Sandown Castle, in Kent, in the room of Richard Hull, deceased [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 93]; to Robert Martell, to be ensign to Capt. Hussey in Charles, Duke of Bolton's regiment, commanded by Lieut.-Colonel William Norton. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 16.]

Mar. 20. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Abraham Yon, a French protestant, and Thomas Chevalier, of the Isle of Jersey, to go to Chester for Ireland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 202]; and for Moses Gerandeau to go from London to Lincoln. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 102.]

Mar. 21. James Scawing [Scawen] to the Earl of Shrewsbury. The enclosed is the copy of a letter that was brought to me yesterday by the person that found it, nigh to the house of George Dunn. I presume it never came to Dunn's hands, for it was sealed when found. I have had Dunn apprehended, who denies the knowledge of anything mentioned in the letter. Dunn is of mean quality, but a "stickeling" and zealous papist, and steward to one of the same profession. The letter being from Dilston, the house of the Earl of Derwentwater, I believe there is more in it than is yet known. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 109.] *Enclosing*:—

——— *to George Dunn of Blaydon. These are to let you understand that all our designs go on very well, and as you have*

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been a trusted friend and acted accordingly, I hope you will have all things in readiness, upon an hour's warning; for we hope, within twenty days, that all will be done according to our minds. I hope you have powder and ball in readiness, and for arms, I know you are well provided. As soon as you have notice given, fire all such houses as you think have been any disturbance to us. As for the powder you sent up, it is disposed of. I have sent you this letter by a faithful messenger without superscription, and charged it to be delivered to your own hands, with others which I have sent to some friends, to act accordingly. I need lay no obligation upon you, for if you do great matters, you may expect great rewards. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 109i.]

Mar. 21. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. We impatiently wait to hear the success of the refusal to send our troops to the Rhine, "but will march most readily to Flanders, if the troops of Saxe and Brandenburg will march also." [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 212.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Requesting them to take measures for preventing the passage of vessels between Wales and Ireland, with letters and passengers, and which have become so bold as to seize the King's subjects on the coast and carry them prisoners to Ireland. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 34.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Stephen Cambolive. States that as he, being a Protestant, suffered very much for his religion in France, came over to England with his Majesty and got a lieutenant's place in a French regiment, but lost it by sickness. Prays he may be paid his arrears and be entered again. Referred to the Earl of Ranelagh. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 204.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Commission to Arthur Gore to be capt.-lieutenant to Col. Foulke; and to Jasper Morris to be ensign to Capt. Embree, in Col. Foulke's regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 16.]

Mar. 21. Whitehall. Allowance of expenses to Philibet D'Hervaert, resident at Geneva. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 102.]

Mar. 21. Warrant for Mr. Eales, of London, to be their Majesties' goldsmith, and to hold that office as Robert Vyner, deceased, held it. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 103.]

Mar. 21. Pass to Joseph Hill to go from London to Scotland. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 22. Reading. Robert Bridgwater to Mr. Vernham. I delivered your letter to your tenant Wattmore. I hope to find a tenant for the meadow. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 110.]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Coventry. I have received your letter, giving an account of eight hogsheads of shoes, having been sent to you from the Mayor of Oxford, and in my last I acquainted you that you would receive directions from Mr. Blathwait, how to dispose of them; yet now I am to desire you will send

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them to Chester consigned to Mr. Cuff and Mr. Vickers, Deputy-Commissionaries of the Army. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 295.]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Major Wildman. By letters lately intercepted at Dover and transmitted to me, I find there is a secret correspondence designed to be carried on between several disaffected persons here and in France, by letters to be directed to Mr. James Pelham, at Lydd, near Romney, which I have thought fit to give you notice of, that whenever any letters so directed shall come to your hands, you may take care to have them stopped, and sent to me. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Dover. I have now only to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, with the enclosed packet of letters, wherein I do not find anything relating to the public. I doubt not but, ere this can come to your hands, you will have received the *Habeas Corpus* for the bringing up of Morgan Byrne, which went away yesterday. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. The same to Sir Ralph Assheton. A considerable discovery having been lately made by John Kelly of a dangerous conspiracy being carried on by several eminent papists and other disaffected persons in Lancashire against the King and Government, and the King—having received a particular character from Lord Brandon of your zeal for his Majesty's service, and ability to manage an affair of so great consequence as the examination of this matter is, in order to a further discovery of their designs and the securing of the conspirators—is pleased to direct that the enclosed copies of the several examinations of the said Kelly, should be transmitted to you, and that, taking to your assistance two or three of the justices of the peace of your country, such as you can best confide in, you may proceed herein accordingly.

Though his Majesty doubts not but you will do everything that may be for his service in this matter, yet I am commanded to signify to you that you issue warrants against Mr. Molyneux, the eldest son of Lord Molyneux, Mr. Standish of Standish Hall, Mr. Towneley of Towneley, the younger, John Holland of Prescot, sadler, and Edward, his partner, and commit them to prison for high treason, they being accused thereof upon oath, as you will find by the enclosed. Strict and diligent search must be made for arms in and about their houses, and particularly the house of Blundell of Ince who is likewise to be committed.

Peter Byram, Henry Bordman Edward Eelam, and Robert Burton, who are the persons mentioned in the last of the three examinations, and will it is believed confess, are to be examined and committed for high treason, and if upon their examination they or any of them shall make a discovery, I desire you will take their information upon oath and transmit it to me, that the parties may be sent for, and such further directions given as shall be thought necessary. If there be anything else that you shall judge fitting to be done upon the examination of this matter, you may proceed in it according to the usual method of law. [*Ibid., p.* 296.]

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Mar. 22. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Morgan. The King having received information that Sir James Pool of Pool Hall in Cheshire, is, with several dangerous and disaffected persons, engaged in a conspiracy against their Majesties and their Government, commands me to signify his pleasure to you that you apprehend and commit the said Sir James to prison for high treason, and that his papers be secured; an account whereof I desire you will transmit up to me, that I may acquaint the King with it and receive further directions therein. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 297.]

Mar. 22. London. News letter. Letters from Edinburgh say that Lord Melville is created Earl of Keith; Lord Stair, Earl of Glenluce; Lieut.-Gen. Douglas, Earl of Dundee, and General Mackay, Earl of Scoury the Earl of Keith is made Commissioner for the ensuing Parliament. On the 14th, a Danish regiment marched through Edinburgh to Greenock to embark for Ireland.

Letters from Pembroke of the 15th say that Sir Cloudesley Shovell arrived there on the Wednesday before in the *Monk*, and with him the *Ruby*, *St. Albans*, *James* galley, *Dover*, and *Experiment*, with two prizes bound for France. They are bound for Hoylake whence it is thought they will stand for the coast of Ireland.

On the 17th, five French prizes were brought into Cowes by a Dutch privateer. Two of the King's ships brought in a French prize, but, a violent wind arising, she was sunk in the bay. On the 19th, 200 of Col. Luttrell's regiment were drawn out of Plymouth for Ireland. On Saturday last, 50 waggons intended for Ireland arrived at Chester.

Letters from Paris of the 28th say that Mons. Seignola has returned from Brest, who said that the fleet sailed from there on the 15th instant, new style. Yesterday the Commons presented their Speaker to the King, who made a speech acquainting them that he would go to Ireland in person, and desiring to settle the revenue in such a manner as to raise ready money on it, and that he had prepared an Act of Grace with exception of some few persons; he also recommended a union with Scotland. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 100, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 337.]

Mar. 22. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrant for Le Sieur Comans and the Marquis de la Verne to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Wauter Gier, ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 103]; for Captain John Fowke to go to Scotland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 105]; and for Captain Ross to go from London to Chester. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 110.]

Mar. 23. Warrant for John Gibbons to repair to the coasts of Kent and Sussex and search for persons coming clandestinely from France or going there, and to apprehend the same; information having been given that persons are frequently passing to and fro, whereby a correspondence with the enemy and evil practices against the government are carried on. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 104.]

Mar. 23. Warrant to apprehend ——— Taaff. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 105.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Treasury. Some time ago, the King, having been moved upon the messengers' petition, was

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pleased to refer it to your lordships, since when, they having represented to his Majesty by the enclosed that they have not received any benefit of the said reference, the King, being very sensible of the extraordinary necessities they lie under by reason of the great arrears that are due to them, is pleased that I should remind you of it, and in the most effectual manner recommend their necessitous condition to you, that taking it into your consideration you may give such directions for their present relief as you shall think fit. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 299.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Nottingham to the Earl of Pembroke. Being informed that about 12 ships, belonging to Hamburg and Lubeck, are going, under Danish colours, round by Scotland with an intention to pass that way into France, I give your lordship notice of it, that such directions may be given to the captains of his Majesty's ships as shall be thought necessary for intercepting them in their passage thither. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 81.]

Mar. 24. "St. Marie's County, in Maryland." John Coode to the Principal Secretaries of State. I have presumed, by several conveyances, to give you an account of the proceedings of their Majesties' protestant subjects in this province for their Majesties' service—to wit by Captain William Burnham, commander of the *Constant*, bound for London, and Captain William Johnson, commander of the *Content*, also bound for London, in the declaration and address of the officers and soldiers then in arms in the province, and by John Crouchee, commander of the brigantine *Happy Return*, of New York, bound for Topsham, in the general address from the representatives of the whole province in a full and free convention, with a duplicate of the same, and by Captain Thomas Everard, commander of the *Thomas and Susannah*, bound for London.

I have presumed likewise to second these with an account of the same in a letter to you, including an answer to your packet intimating his Majesty's commands, by Captain Samuel Gilheim (*sic*) commander of the ketch *Crane*, being a summary account of those sent by the aforesaid vessels, by Captain Samuel Ellis, commander of the bark *Mary* of Maryland, bound for London, and also the declaration, addresses, and copies of former letters and papers already sent on by Gillam (*sic*). By all which you may see I have omitted no opportunity to make known our present circumstances, and beg your favourable representation of our case and condition to their Majesties.

Since these, we have been much disquieted and disturbed by the papists and the discontents of that faction against their Majesties' known interest and the public safety, though I have omitted nothing conducing to the preservation of the peace and security of their Majesties' province till a further settlement or orders from their Majesties. Some of our late deputies under Lord Baltimore's commission escaped hereupon into Virginia and were (as they are still) sheltered by that government, from whence, notwithstanding that government had from myself, by an express, an account of their circumstances, and was very earnestly requested to secure them, they were permitted

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to make frequent returns into this province with men and arms as opportunity presented, and notwithstanding our utmost endeavours and diligence to prevent and obviate all danger from them, Mr. John Payne, his Majesty's collector here, a truly loyal, courageous and zealous protestant, was most barbarously murdered by them.

I have presumed to trouble you and their Majesties' Commissioners with what has passed relating to that affair, and of those fugitives fled thither for protection by the *Abraham & James*, Captain Fyfield, commander, and the bark *Maryland*, merchantman, of Bideford, Captain Mark Whitson, commander, which I do humbly offer to remind you by this. Major Nicholas Sewall, son to Lady Baltimore, one of the late Deputy-Governors and Secretaries of this province (with others whom we have sufficient to accuse of tyrannic and treasonable practices) fled with a small yacht with arms and ammunition into Virginia, from whence he returned suddenly again into this province, and upon his return came ashore. In the interim, the said Mr. Payne, collector, in a small boat with four men, went on board, and civilly demanding and reasoning with them of their coming and going into and from this province without due report, or entering or clearing with the King's officers, was immediately shot dead, the rest with him in the boat, with much difficulty saved their lives, being pursued to the very shore when they saved themselves by the shallowness of the water, and some defence they made with some firearms they had in the boat: the murderers with the yacht escaped into Virginia. Sewall was then ashore when the fact was committed, but suddenly fled back also into Virginia where he is still at liberty. Of four then in the yacht, I have an account from Mr. Nathaniel Bacon that they are in custody, after several messages, and expresses from thence relating to them. Of the said Sewall I have this to say and can prove by sufficient evidence, that he menaced the said Payne's death before the fact, that he gave particular orders for what was done, and that, after his return to Virginia, he owned and justified the doing of it.

All this I have often in several letters laid before that government, and have earnestly begged that the murderers, together with other fugitives, may be sent back or secured for justice, or from doing further mischief to their Majesties' protestant subjects on this side, but have no satisfactory answer; instead thereof, one of their Majesties' evidence, then with the said Payne when the murder was committed, and sometime after being in Virginia, was apprehended and imprisoned, and since, we hear, put in irons. Mr. Christopher Rousby who preceded Mr. Payne in the said office of collector, had the same tragical end, being barbarously murdered by Colonel George Talbot, an Irish papist and chief governor here, after Lord Baltimore had endeavoured, by false informations and suggestions before the King and Council, to deprive him of his life. I do with all humility lay this naked and true account of this affair before you, that you may not be surprised, nor our true zeal and endeavours for their Majesties' service receive any diminution from those staggering gentlemen of that government, that have made themselves so highly interested in that affair, and will doubly endeavour to justify their late unkindness, and injustice to us by all sorts of artifice.

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This, you may be assured, is the only person that has received any corporal harm since our first appearing and declaring for King William, the soldiers having been very carefully and industriously prevented from committing any outrage upon the perpetrating of that murder, nor has any papist, or other person been plundered by any whatsoever; all charges are paid by a provincial convention of the representatives of the province which is to meet again the first day of April.

In the meantime, with all dutiful humility and becoming loyalty, we are in earnest expectation of his Majesty's gracious pleasure relating to us, without which nothing can make us happy. We, therefore, again humbly request your favourable representation of our condition to the King, having no other, as we can have no better, to intercede or speak in our behalf, from the difficulty that we have in sending any agents hence, which is doubtful and dangerous from the want of shipping here and from the French pirates. We are moreover, in daily expectation of his Majesty's particular care of this province, and the disability and poverty of a distrusted people under a tyrannic, arbitrary, government. Notwithstanding which disadvantages, we do not in the least doubt his Majesty's gracious acceptation of our dutiful endeavours for his service, which have been managed without any sort of self interest or cruelty towards our enemies or oppressors, against whom we are and shall be ready to make good our just complaints, when thereunto required.

As to public affairs relating to his Majesty's service in America, we have . . . . . advice from Barbadoes in a letter from Colonel Steed, the present governor of that . . . . . that by the courage and resolution of that government, they have not only preserved themselves, but have made considerable attempts upon the French and taken Marygalante, St. Bartholomew's, and St. Martin's, and question not to carry Martinique and St. Christopher's. From New York, the present governor there informs us that the Canada French have barbarously massacred the inhabitants of Schenectede, a town near Albany; the forces of New York are in pursuit of the enemy, and have sent hither to Virginia for some assistance. The Virginia Government will not be concerned. However, we of this province are necessitated to contribute the best we can against so dangerous and known an enemy, having certain intelligence from some prisoners, that they will suddenly attempt this province and Pensylvania, of whom we are in daily expectation, and have made suitable preparations for which we are in great want of present ammunition.

The late treacherous governors had not in the public magazine, when the government was surrendered, above 400 lbs. of powder, and about 4,000 lbs. of shot, and 400 firearms; [we] have, however, from private stores provided to defend the province till recruits come, which we hope for by the shipping. Those ships that have been long in the country are cleared hence to Virginia to join the fleet there, homeward bound by appointment of that government. Only Tyfield and Whitson sailed directly for England with the necessary account to you of the present state of affairs in this province. I make bold to assure you that I have the chiefest trust reposed in me by the soldiers and convention, so will, to the hazard of all that is valuable

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and near to me, discharge the same for the King's service and security of the province. [*H.O. Admiralty* 1, *No.* 10.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry, Lord Delamere, to deliver the seal of office of Chancellor of the Exchequer to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, to be delivered by them to Richard Hampden, Chancellor of the Exchequer. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 108.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Warrant to William Cock [*The name scratched out and that of John Gibbons put in its place*], then gunner of the platform at Margate, to search for persons, clandestinely coming from France and going thither, in Margate Roads or places adjacent. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 109.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry Harris, their Majesties' engraver, to engrave, in silver, a Great Seal for Ireland according to a draft sent, and to make an engine or screw for the same. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 111.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Warrant to ——— to deliver to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Company of Grocers of London, three fat bucks annually. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 204.]

Mar. 24. Warrant to Col. John Beaumont to admit John Sharpe as gunner at Arcliffe Fort. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 32.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Jan Louis de Labene who desires his arrears of pay. Referred to the Paymaster-General for the forces in Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 204.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Proceedings on the petition of Captain Thomas Jones. Stating that one month's pay, due to him, is detained by Mr. James Smith, on pretence of an old debt due from the regiment. Prays that Mr. Smith may be ordered to pay the same. Referred to the Earl of Ranelagh. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 205.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, desiring him to enter John Kempe upon the Ledger book of the Office of Ordnance as furbisher of the arms and armour in the guard chamber, to keep in order and clean the same. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 17.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Warrant to the same desiring him to cause the quantities of broken iron ordnance and shot, now remaining in the stores at Woolwich, and several granado shells at the laboratory at Greenwich, which are unfit for use, to be cast into such ordnance as he shall think fit. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 18.]

Mar. 24. Whitehall. Passes and post-warrants for Thomas Gouland, groom to Dr. Hutton, to go to Northampton or elsewhere, to buy horses [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 103]; for Louis Rochblave to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; to John and David Guilhen ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 104]; for Lieutenant Bedford to go from London to Windsor [*Ibid.*, *p.* 108]; for Lieut.-Colonel Monroe to go to Flanders; for Captain James Monkrakane, with his lady, two children, two maid-servants and a boy and servant, to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 110]; for Robert Irwing, with three servants, to go to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 111]; and for Mr. Archibald Montgomery and Richard Pierce to go from London to Scotland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 144.]

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Mar. 25. Office of the Ordnance. A statement of the money (32,298*l.*) needful for the immediate provision of ordnance "without which the fleet cannot be fitted out, nor the traine now sending be made serviceable." Besides the above sum, 14,000*l.* is required to meet the 1,000*l.* a week, discontinued for 14 weeks, which is absolutely necessary to carry on "the common business of the office." The Commissioners desire that, as the establishment designed for Ireland has not yet been settled, the same may be considered and determined. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 13.]

Mar. 25. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The three Dukes are here together to consider their affairs for this year, and whether their troops shall march depends on the answer which is expected from the Emperor. The Duke and Duchess of Hanover go, in a few days, to Carlesbad. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 216.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Earl of Drumlanrig. Mr. Slingsby and Mr. Armstrong, being lately taken on the Borders, as suspected persons, were brought prisoners to Carlisle, where Mr. Slingsby confessed he came down into those parts with a design to be serviceable to the late King's interest, and that he lodged in Armstrong's brother's house, and that Armstrong knew of his intentions, and was concerned with him. Armstrong owns he had been a trooper under Dundee, but pretends to have laid hold on the King's pardon, proclaimed in Scotland, and from that time to have quitted the party, and to have lived at home privately.

Before this account was sent up, it happened that Captain Grahme, a brigadier of your troop, passing through that town and claiming this man as his kinsman and one he would be answerable for, the Governor, without more ado, delivered him to him, and Grahme immediately admitted him into the troop. I have no directions for you to dismiss him, for it may be that he is so sensible of his former miscarriage that there is no fear of his relapse, and that he will endeavour to repair it by different behaviour for the future. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 298.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. The same to Captain Bubb. I have received your letter, with the account of the taking of Mr. Slingsby and Mr. Armstrong. I received a letter from the former, but his Majesty has not given any directions for his enlargement, and thinks it strange that he should be engaged in such a design as he owns in his letters, and yet know of no more concerned than that single person who was taken with him. Therefore you are to press him to recollect himself, since he is to hope for the King's favour, from his own ingenuity, which will hardly appear sincere if it be kept within these bounds. The King supposes you have had very good satisfaction given that Mr. Armstrong will be as active in his service as he has hitherto appeared opposite to it. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick to cause a marquee to be made for a cover to the travelling tent house together with two proper waggons or carriages, fitting to carry the said house and marquee, taking such directions for the making as shall be given him by Sir Christopher Wren; and, as soon as they are ready, to cause them to

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be delivered to the said Sir Christopher. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 22.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Gilbert Talbot, knight, praying for a grant of 4,000 ounces of broken plate, now in Irwell House. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 207.]

Mar. 25. Whitehall. Warrant for the reprieve of John Robinson, convicted of robbery at the Chelmsford assizes. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 110.]

Mar. 25. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to keep William Morgan in close custody for high treason. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 111.]

Mar. 26. Whitehall. Passes for Lady Maitland and Janet Richards and Thomas Vanderlender, her servants, to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 102]; for Le Sieur Arnaud to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Louis Bochau to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake for Ireland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 109]; for Jannetie Jours, Margaret Jacobs and Mary Vanden Lande, Dutch soldiers' wives, to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 110]; and for Charles Maggeingood to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 111.]

Mar. 26. Chester Castle. Sir John Morgan to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] In obedience to your lordship's commands I have taken into custody Sir James Poole. Mr. Massey of Puddington has lately bought several horses, some of them are of considerable value. There are great meetings of Roman Catholics and other disaffected persons in Lancashire and on the edge of Flintshire, which borders upon Cheshire. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 111.]

Mar. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Lord Lumley. Being informed that Brandley, a papist or reputed papist, living at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, has at least three hundred horses now in his possession, or in the possession of some other person to his use, under the colour of employing them about his coal mines, though upon inquiry it will be found that he always made use of oxen in that service, till of late, I have thought fit to give you notice that you may, in pursuance of the late Act of Parliament for the disarming of papists, give such directions in this matter as you shall think fit. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 299.]

Mar. 26. Whitehall. The same to John Dutton Colt. Understanding that the master of the vessel which brought over Mathew Crone from Ireland, about January last, did then affirm that they came from Belfast, whereas it has since been made to appear that they came from Wexford, whereby it is strongly to be suspected that the said master was privy to those treasonable designs which Crone now stands charged with, I desire you will take care that the master be examined before some justice of the peace of what he knows touching the same, and if there be found sufficient cause, that he be bound over to appear to the next sessions of the peace. [*Ibid. p.* 300.]

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Mar. 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Attorney-General. The King thinks fit to direct that Mathew Crone, a prisoner in the Tower for high treason, should forthwith be brought to his trial, and commands you to take care for the issuing forth a special commission of oyer and terminer for that purpose, and that Mathew Crone be proceeded against as may legally be done. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 300.]

Mar. 26. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. Requesting them to order the discharge of one Read Whitacre, "the son of one who has some near relation to my private concernes," who was lately pressed on board the *Breda*, Captain Tenant, commander. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 34.]

Mar. 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Anthony St. Ledger, a convicted felon. Praying a reprieve, having been convicted on the evidence of a condemned felon. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 205.]

Mar. 26. Order to John Loggins, a messenger, to summon Frances Greenwood, and if she should attempt to escape, to take her into custody. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 112.]

Mar. 27. Memorandum touching the revenue. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 112.]

Mar. 27. London. News letter. Yesterday, Parliament considered the new supply for conquering France and for reducing Ireland, and to-day it was voted; but it is not yet decided how it is to be raised. There are 182 newly elected members. The Dukes of Beaufort and Newcastle, the Earls of Exeter, Ailesbury, Clarendon, Yarmouth, and Lichfield, and seven or eight other lords, have refused to take the oaths; all the Commons took them.

We hear from France that they have sent into Ireland 10,000 men—including 900 English, Scotch, and Irish—under the command of Count Lauzun, also 200,000 crowns, 100,000 louis d'ors, 150,000 of Lauzun's own, 100 pieces of cannon for the artillery, and 200 brass cannon for garrisons; it is said the wind has driven them back into Brest. We hear that the magazine at Dunkirk is blown up. It is thought the Parliament will ask the King to stay his journey to Ireland. The Duke of Ormond is ordered to Flanders as general of all the English forces there, as the French have attacked their frontiers. The Pope and the King of France have settled their affairs, but the King of Poland has ordered the ambassadors of King James and the French King to depart his kingdom, he having formed an alliance with the Emperor.

We have been expecting the English regiments from Flanders, but instead of them 12,000 Dutch horse and foot are coming over. We hear from Brest that the Duke of Berwick has had two engagements in Ireland with Schomberg, who had his horse twice shot under him and was taken by the enemy, but was retaken. Berwick has 4,000 men. Schomberg lost 2,000, but gained the Newry pass. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 101, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 389.]

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Mar. 27. Whitehall. Commission for Thomas Jeffereys, gent., to be lieutenant to Captain John Hedger, in Charles, Duke of Bolton's regiment of foot, commanded by Col. Henry Holt. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 23.]

Mar. 27. Warrant to Arthur, Earl of Torrington, colonel of a marine regiment, to limit the number of each company to 150 men. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 93.]

Mar. 27. Whitehall. Warrant to the Admiralty for payment of subsistence money to the two marine regiments. [*Ibid.*]

Mar. 27. Whitehall. Warrant for letters of denization to Balthazar Gardeman. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 204.]

Mar. 27. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Lieut. William Hawley to go from London to Plymouth; for Laurence Obey to go to Holland; for Adam Pelters to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders; for Charles Senocy, with his wife Mary, ditto; for John Moulin to go to Holland; for Mr. Charles Forbes to go from London to Scotland; for Catryn Wolf and Mary de Wit to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; and for Baron Raghuif, ditto. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 113.]

Mar. 28. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The Dukes of Brunswick and Lunenburg continue here till to-morrow, and all their ministers have a conference this day together, so that I hope I shall soon know what measures they will take. All their discourse continues that it is impossible to send their troops to the Rhine, for they have no magazines for so great a body as 3,000 men, and a less number would not be able to support themselves in so great an army. The Duke and Duchess of Hanover's journey holds for Saturday or Monday "come seven nights," for he intends to be with his troops in Flanders at the latter end of May. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 220.]

Mar. 28. Order by the House of Lords declaring all protections granted by any members of their House to be void, unless entered in the Parliament Office at Westminster. [*S.P. Dom. Proclamations, Vol.* 6, *No.* 43.]

Mar. 28. Kensington. Commission for Thomas Roots to be surgeon of Col. Trelawny's regiment of foot. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 97.]

Mar. 28. Whitehall. Passes for James Pringle, Esq., with James Spady, his servant, to go to Berwick-upon-Tweed, and to return [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 205]; for Dominigo de Cabrales and Edward Towneley, his servant, to go from Dover to Flanders: for Anna Reygers and three children to go from Harwich, or the river, to [Holland]; and for Jacob Ariesz, ditto. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 114.]

Mar. 29. Chester Castle. Sir John Morgan to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I formerly troubled your lordship to speak on my behalf to the Lords of the Treasury, to pay me the money I had laid out for his Majesty's

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service. I beg your advice as to what I may depend on. Yesterday, a gentleman from Liverpool came to acquaint me that some Roman Catholics, who took him to be one of them, told him that things went very well, and that King James would speedily be amongst them, that they had 1,000 horse ready to rise at a day's notice. I have no power in those parts; if I had, I would put a stop to many of those public meetings of Roman Catholics and other disaffected persons. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 113.]

Mar. 29. Edinburgh. Lord Drumlanrig to the King. I have taken pains to discover the condition of your affairs here. The country is mightily divided, not so much for or against your interest and government, as about the methods of serving you and the persons employed. The Government is not in very good hands. The Club, as it is called here, are extremely diligent. I have not seen any of your forces here, except those in this town, and they are not well clothed. *Printed by Dalrymple in full.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 14.]

Mar. 29. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Tenby. I have received your letter, giving a description of Mathew Crone, the person who came from Ireland in January last, which answers in all particulars, but that of the colour of his hair, to the person who was brought before me under that name, and therefore the King, having thought fit to direct that Mathew Crone should forthwith be brought to his trial, commands you to give notice to Mr. Zachary Bevan of Langharne, and one other person who can give the most material evidence against Crone, to come up to town as soon as possible to attend the Attorney-General. And you may assure them they shall punctually be repaid whatever charges they shall be at, upon this occasion. Mr. Attorney would have taken the usual method of *subpœna*, but this trial being by special commission, there could be no certain day mentioned in the *subpœna*, so that there is an absolute necessity of taking this course. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 301.]

Mar. 29. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. The King having thought fit to direct that Mathew Crone should forthwith be brought to his trial, directs that you give notice to Richard Roach, the master of the vessel that brought Crone from Wexford, and anyone of the seamen who can give the most material evidence against Crone, to come up to town as soon as they can. [*Ibid., p.* 302.]

Mar. 29. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. I received your letter, by which I understand Sir James Poole is secured, concerning whom directions will be given in convenient time. As to the meetings you mention in Lancashire and Cheshire, I wish that those who informed you of them had told you the houses at which they were held, and the company that came thither, upon which it might have been considered how they ought to be proceeded against. [*Ibid., p.* 302.]

Mar. 29. Proceedings upon the petition of the Corporation of Hereford, stating that they have 3 markets weekly and 2 fairs yearly, granted by James I., and another fair granted by Charles II. on Wednesday

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in Easter week. They pray for confirmation of same. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 206.]

Mar. 29. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of Newgate to bring up William Morgan [*in the margin is the name Matthew Crone*] to be examined. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 115.]

Mar. 29. Whitehall. Warrant to Richard Hampden, esq., Chancellor of the Exchequer, to use the old seal of the Court of Exchequer till the new one is engraved. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 117.]

Mar. 29. Whitehall. Passes for Robert Litz to go from London into Yorkshire; for Marie-Louise Paille to go to Holland; for Catryn Jeurier, and one child, ditto; for Jannetie Mandeneym and Johanna Nagells, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 114]; for Cornelia Sanders, with one child, ditto; and for Antenet Stange, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 115].

Mar. 30. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Expresses his gratification at hearing the King has sent a large sum of money, as there is great need of it. The peasants, where the soldiers are lodged, have hardly anything for themselves, but I can now promise them all they require for their subsistence. I have told the captains to borrow horses of the peasants, so as to convey the provisions and, by promises of money, to induce them to lend them so that they should not hide them as they had done before. For the present, the cavalry will put up with forage. I hope that the promised hay will soon arrive.

Enquires after the artillery which the King promised should be sent, states that the Clerk of the Ordnance is dead, and recommends Mr. Middleton to fill the post for which he is well qualified. I hope that my Lord Portland and Count Schomberg will come soon to your Majesty; this last will be able to hasten at Hoylake the embarkation of the troops, for the Commissioners of the Admiralty are very negligent. Expresses satisfaction at the prospect of the King's arrival in Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 15.]

Mar. 30. Whitehall. Warrant for the revival of a grant made by Charles II. to the Corporation of Hereford of a three days' fair to commence on the Wednesday next after Easter. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 115.]

Mar. 30. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Sir Francis Lawley, of the office of Master of the Jewels, upon the surrender of Sir Gilbert Talbot. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 117.]

Mar. 30. Whitehall. Warrant for Letters Patent to Captain Bellingham for his invention of a metal for making mortars, drakes, and other guns, approved by the officers of the Ordnance. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 118.]

Mar. 31 Bristol. Arthur Hart, mayor of Bristol, to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. I have examined Richard Roach, master, and John Cole, carpenter, of the vessel that brought over Crone, but they had so little acquaintance with him that I could find no cause to detain them. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 2, *No.* 114.]

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Mar. 31. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. I am sending this despatch by a merchant of Dublin who has escaped, with some others from that place, in a ship. Gives details of what is passing in Dublin: 42 warships have come from France, and 21 merchant ships with 8 fireships, which have landed 5,000 or 6,000 men, consisting of some Germans who are prisoners from the Imperial troops, some Danish troops, who have been taken and some Irish who were sent last year to Hamburg to the Emperor's army. It is said that King James is not pleased at having such prisoners sent to him. It is also said that they have brought arms, powder, &c. of which they had none left.

It was proposed to send the French fleet with the fireships to Carrickfergus to burn the vessels which are in the river; but if my orders are well executed, they will not find many that have not left to embark the troops at Hoylake.

The French ships have brought great quantities of leather, tallow, and wool; they take it to the Protestant merchants in Dublin and Cork who give them their assignments for one part, and offer brass money for the other; commerce there is greatly disordered by this; for 40 guineas in specie, they give 160*l.* sterling, brass money.

Tyrconnel has made a treaty with the citizens of Dublin by which they are obliged to give him 6,000 pairs of shoes and 5,000 yards of grey cloth a month. Colonel Roger Moore and Mr. Bridges, both Protestants, charged Joseph Clark the bearer of the news from Dublin to tell me that forage is needed, that there are scarcely any oats; this is what hindered them so much during the last campaign. Many horses died last winter. The regiments of Tyrconnel and Lord Galway [Galmoy?] and Colonel Parker, which were the best mounted, are much weakened and many of the dragoons are now without mounts. There is a man named Thomson living at Armshead [Ormshead?] between Chester and Beaumaris to whose house letters are sent by those who are in correspondence with the enemy in Ireland; his son who commands an armed ketch, goes every week to collect the letters. I learn that the enemy want horses, both for the artillery and to draw the large waggons which they had last year to carry the provisions. They will have great trouble in leaving from Dublin or from Drogheda with the army. The officers also need equipage.

I hoped to go myself to-day to give orders at Carrickfergus for the vessels to return from Hoylake, for there are only five or six warships at Carrickfergus and with this wind, the French fleet can easily attempt something here upon the merchant ships, but as I learn that the Duke of Berwick has come to Dundalk to review the troops, and that he is followed by others, I will not go away further than necessary to find out if the Duke is going to undertake anything. I think he has only to come to review and to make some changes in the small garrisons which are placed between Dundalk and Cavan, at which latter place, they maintain a fort. The garrisons of Belturbet and Clonish have beaten two of the enemy's detachments, killed 40 men, taken officers and captured a quantity of cattle. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 16.]

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Mar. 31. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir William Dolben or Sir William Gregory. This morning a messenger brought to my office one, Macarthy, who is accused of being a Romish priest and a Jesuit; but understanding that he has been already taken up on the like accusation and that he was discharged the last term in the King's Bench, after nine months' imprisonment, I thought fit to send him and his accuser to you, desiring that you will examine his case and dispose of him as shall be agreeable to law. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 303.]

Mar. 31. Whitehall. The same to Lord Lumley. I know not how better to dispose of the enclosed information than by putting it into your hands, who, knowing the gentlemen of the county from whence the alarm comes, will please to commit the inquiry into this matter, to the care of some discreet and impartial person near the place, whose report may be depended on. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 303.]

Mar. 31. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Irwin, stating that he, at the risk of his life, carried letters through the Irish Camp to Major-General Kirke from Londonderry and returned with answers, for which he was sent to England for a reward. Prays that he may be provided for. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 206.]

Mar. 31. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Colonel Kirkby, praying that the office of Auditor-General for Wales and Monmouth, forfeited by Sir William Godolphin, may be granted to him. Referred to the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 207.]

Mar. 31. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Conyngham, esq., stating that he has expended much money in his Majesty's service by raising a troop of dragoons at Londonderry and carried intelligence of the designed massacre, &c. Prays for relief and to be returned to Ireland. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 208.]

Mar. 31. Kensington and Whitehall. Commissions for Nathaniel Denew, esq., to be captain of the "traineband for the pier of Dover," whereof Captain Thomas Marsh was late captain [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 97]; for Captain George West to be captain in the same, of the company of which Captain William Stocks was late captain [*Ibid.*]; for John Bradshaw to be captain of the company of which James Campbell was captain in Col. William Beveridge's regiment of foot [*Ibid.* 3, *p.* 22]; for Giles Spicer to be major to Col. John Berkeley's regiment of dragoons; for George Holgate to be captain in the same regiment; for Robert Barkham to be captain-lieutenant in the same regiment; for Thomas Knox, gent., to be lieutenant to Lieut.-Col. Francis Hawley in the same regiment; and for Edward Love, gent., to be cornet to Col. John Berkeley. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 31.]

Mar. 31. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, to cause 12 six-pounders, brass ordnance, to be issued for the supply of the ship *Grafton*, to be delivered to the master gunner thereof. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 19.]

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Mar. 31. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick directing him to send the necessary arms remaining in the Ordnance to Richard, Lord Colchester, viz.:—30 carbines, and 30 pair of pistols with holsters, being for arming those men that supplied the detachments drawn out of that regiment for service in the Low Countries. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 20.]

Mar. 31. Kensington. Warrant for William, Bishop of St. Asaph, Chief Almoner, to receive 133*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to be distributed in alms on Maunday Thursday, Good Friday, and the rest of the week. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 206.]

Mar. 31. Whitehall. Pass for Joseph Sexton and John Buller to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 113.]

[Mar.] Proceedings on the petition in regard to the return of John Burrand and Thomas Dore as members of Parliament for New Lymington. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 17.]

[Mar.] Relation—in the handwriting in which the bodies of the Duke of Schomberg's letters are written—of events in Ireland since February 9. The garrison of Charlemont has been reinforced by some men who passed by unknown roads and carried off soldiers from La Caillemote's regiment which is in garrison at Dungannon and at Mountjoy. It was proposed to burn the enemy's boats and set fire to Charlemont Bridge; but the enemy withdrew their boats from the river, and La Caillemote has not been able to carry out his design on the bridge. One of the officers who attempted it was killed. Mons. La Caillemote and his lieut.-colonel, Adjutant-General Wethers, the Marquis De La Barre and Cibourg—the two last being the Duke of Schomberg's aides-de-camp—ran great risks.

The Duke of Schomberg received advice, on the 11th inst., that the enemy were assembling at Dundalk. He ordered two small armed vessels to try and take some of their boats ["gabarres"] but his orders were badly carried out. He has also had news from Col. Stewart, whose quarters are near Carlingford, and from Newry, of the arrival of 1,900 men at Dundalk. Describes the movement of the various regiments thereupon. Some of the enemy have been taken prisoners. On learning that the enemy were massing troops about Kells, he sent 300 men from Kirke's and Gruyder's (?) regiments to Belturbet to strengthen that garrison and work at the entrenchments, as Germans work better than the Enniskillens. At the same time he ordered Col. Wolseley to look after Cavan and places thereabouts.

The Duke of Berwick arrived at Cavan the night before Wolseley got there, with 2,500 men. In the battle which followed the Duke was wounded, and his troops retired, Wolseley's troops pillaged the town, whereupon the enemy returned to the charge; Wolseley then set fire to the houses. The fire consumed a large magazine of meal, forage and hay, destined for the enemy's possession on attacking Belturbet, a place coveted by them. Among the wounded are Col. O'Reilly, governor of the fort, Brigadier Nugent, and more than 300 men, including 14 officers. Some of

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the enemy's officers were taken prisoners, and Wolseley also took 4,000*l.* or 5,000*l.* sterling in copper money. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 18.]

April 1. Lieut. A. Gawne to James Vernon. My cousin, Robin Irving, gave me an account of your assistance in procuring direction for the payment of an old contingent bill due to the Royal Regiment of Foot, and your promise to assist him in getting an order for the payment of arrears due to ten reformed Scotch officers and for having their allowance continued as formerly. I venture to recommend the bearer, Mr. Chalmers, to you as a person appointed by Robin Irving to wait on you. He will deliver you the draft petition of the reformed officers, which, if you approve, shall be presented by Mr. Arbuthnot one of the reformed officers who lost his leg in a fight against the Moors at Tangier. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 1.]

April 1. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. I am very sorry that I cannot have Mr. Eger, who would have been so very fit for my business. The news of Monsieur Shute's giving in a memorial on behalf of Hamburg was sent to me by Sir Paul Ricaut. I am going to wish the Duke and Duchess of Hanover a good journey. We expect, in a week or ten days, the Emperor's resolution on the answer given to Baron Godens by this family. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 224.]

April 1. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Morgan. I have received your letter with the account of what you have been told by one of Liverpool. I know not whether you have taken his information in writing, but it was very fit to be done, with the names of those persons whose commissions he had seen and who they were that showed them to him, and what other particulars he could recollect, which ought to have been sworn to. Lord Brandon showed me a letter he received to the same effect, and he will take care to get it put into a deposition.

I desire you will either send for the person who gave you this account, and let his examination be taken, or recommend it to some trusty justice of the peace to do it without noise or suspicion, and I suppose he will give it voluntarily, having already owned so much to you, or otherwise there is cause enough, from his confession, to seize and secure him for misprision of treason, which I rather think he will prevent; and if he can make positive proof against any persons who are in the country, that they are actually engaged in this desperate undertaking, it will be very much for the King's service that he should come hither with as much privacy as may be, and the expenses of his journey will be defrayed. As to your own concerns now lying before the Treasury, I thought you had received satisfaction. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 304.]

April 1. Commissions for Samuel Gower, gent., to be second lieutenant of the company, of which Captain Martin is captain, in the Marine regiment commanded by the Earl of Torrington [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 97]; for James Salstonstall, gent., to be ensign to Captain Joseph Tilly in Col. Foulk's regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 109]; for Edward Parry to be lieutenant in the regiment of horse under

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the command of Col. Langston [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 109]; for John Alured, gent., to be ensign of that company in the regiment of foot commanded by George, Viscount Castleton, and of which he himself is captain [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 110 *and* 121]; for Richard Sutton, gent., to be ensign in Captain Charles Saunderson's company in the regiment of foot under the same command; for John Green, gent., to be ensign in the company of which Lieut.-Col. Fairfax is captain in the same regiment; for Abraham Vanbelle, gent., to be ensign of Captain Edward Philipps' company in the same regiment; for Lawrence Coward, gent., to be lieutenant to Captain Luttrell in Col. Francis Luttrell's regiment; for Robert Northcote, gent., to be lieutenant of grenadiers to Capt. Burrington, in the same regiment; for George Sydenham, gent., to be ensign to Capt. Burrington in the same [*Ibid.* 3, *p.* 20]; for Arthur Horsman to be ensign to Col. Luttrell; for Thomas Denton to be ensign to Capt. Coward in Col. Luttrell's regiment; for Robert Northcote to be quarter-master to the same [*Ibid.*, *p.* 21]; for Nathaniel Cossle (?) to be lieutenant to Capt. Kempthorne in Col. Richard Brewer's regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 22]; for Denis Obrey, gent., to be ensign to Capt. Carlisle in Col. Richard Brewer's regiment [*Ibid.*, *p.* 24]; for Francis Starling to be captain of the company of which Lord George Hamilton was captain in the Duke of Schomberg's royal regiment of foot, commanded by Sir Robert Douglas [*Ibid.*, *p.* 25]; for John Lisle, gent., to be ensign in Col. Richard Brewer's regiment of foot; and for Roger Mekyns, gent., to be ensign in the same. [*H.O Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 31.]

April 1. Whitehall. Warrant appointing Sidney Godolphin lieut.-governor of the islands of Scilly *alias* Sorlings, whereof John, Earl of Bath is governor. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 33.]

April 1. Pass for Francis Trefusis, esq., and Mr. Joseph Haley to go from Harwich or the river to Holland. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 115.]

April 1. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Edward Rigby for using seditious words against their Majesties. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 118.]

April 1. Kensington. Further reprieve for William Cuffe, clerk, from the 5th to the 26th instant. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 205.]

April 2. Passes for Thomas Atkins to go from London to Exeter [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 116]; for Capt. Power to go to Cornwall; for Jannette Jans and Susanne de Fevre, Dutch soldiers' wives, with five children, to go to Holland; for Cornelia Sanders, a Dutch soldier's wife, with two children, ditto; for Catryn Van Glansdorpe, a Dutch soldier's wife, ditto; for Cornelia Adams and Griche van Schagen, Dutch soldier's wives, with seven children, ditto; and for Annetie Vanderhorst and Susan Vanderham, Dutch soldiers' wives, with three children, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 119.]

April 3. London. News letter. The Earl of Scarsdale took the oaths and subscribed the declaration. Letters from Edinburgh say that the *Pearl* came into the road of Greenock, having seen the last of the Danish infantry landed in Ireland. On the 22nd Col. Donep's regiment set sail for

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Ireland. On the 25th Col. Lestead's regiment marched to Greenock in order to be transported. On the western borders they have heard great shooting in Ireland. The Duke of Gordon, the Marquis of Atholl, Viscount Tarbat, and Lord Breadalbane have offered to reduce the Highlanders.

From Plymouth we hear that about 100 Frenchmen were put on board for St. Malo to be exchanged for English. On the 30th of March there came into Plymouth a Dutch vessel from Surinam and the Leeward Islands which had taken two French prizes. They report that the French have put to the sword all the English in St. Christopher's. Col. Cutts' regiment came into Chester and marched on the 1st instant to Hoylake to embark. A French privateer gave chase to a Dutch one, and forced her into Cowes. Sir Cloudesley Shovel with the men-of-war under his command, are at Hoylake.

The Confederate generals are at Cologne to concert measures for the campaign. The troops are on their march there from all parts; they will consist of 40,000 men. Six thousand Brandenburgers are on their march for Holland where they will embark for England. Four thousand Swiss are raising for his Majesty's service. Marshall D'Humieres is at the head of ten or twelve thousand men. Upon the news of his march, the Spaniards, who were posted two leagues from Mons, returned. They write from Paris that the assembly of the clergy will present their King with eight millions; and that a body of troops was sent into Languedoc to keep the new converts in order, they continuing their private meetings. The House agreed that his Majesty be enabled, by a clause in the bill for settling the revenue, to raise a credit for the sum of 1,000,000*l*. [*Greewich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 101, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 391.]

April 3. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Sir Jonathan Jennings, knight, M.P., showing that during his shrievalty for the county of York, there were fourteen horses committed to his custody in January last, according to the Act of Parliament for unhorsing and disarming papists, which horses he tendered for his Majesty's service to Sir Christopher Wandesford, the present high sheriff, who refused to accept them, so they are still in his custody to his great charge. Prays that some present relief may be given him and the horses disposed of for his Majesty's service. Referred to the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 71.]

April 3. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal. I am commanded to signify to you his Majesty's pleasure that John Arnold be put into the commission of the peace for Middlesex and the city of Westminster. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p* 305.]

April 3. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Harboard. Some time since I signified the King's pleasure to you for putting Madam Barnier, mother to the late Captain St. Sauveur, upon the establishment in the place of one Foureaux, which it seems proved a mistake, there never having been any such person upon it. Now therefore his Majesty directs me to

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let you know that he would have her put upon the establishment in place of Monsieur La Salle, who was advanced to a company upon St. Sauveur's death. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 305.]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant to pay Charles, Viscount Dursley, plenipotentiary at the Congress at the Hague, the sum of 300*l.* for his equipage and 3*l.* a day for his entertainment, from 26th Feb. last past till the end of the Congress; to be paid him at the same time as the allowance of 5*l.* a day granted to him as envoy-extraordinary to the States General. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 208.]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant to pay Hugh Hughes, in the King's employment in Germany, the sum of 300*l.* a year and his extraordinary expenses. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 209.]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Mrs. Sebright for publishing treasonable pamphlets. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 120.]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent creating Richard, Viscount Lumley, Earl of Chichester, with limitation to his heirs male. "Note, this warrant passed with the alteration of Earldom of Scarborough instead of Earldom of Chichester. [*Ibid.*, *pp.* 122 *and* 135.]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant for inserting in the next Newgate pardon, the name of Elizabeth, the wife of Frances Deacon, convicted at the Old Bailey for the murder of her apprentice, Mary Coxe, by giving her immoderate correction, and accordingly sentenced to death; her execution had been respited by reason of her being with child. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 123.]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant to John Loggins, a messenger, to search for and seize vestments, altar cloths, crosses, beads, and other superstitious relics and plate belonging to some popish clergy, lately made use of in several of their chapels in and about London and Westminster, and concealed in a house near Spitalfields. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 124.]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick to cause the ship *St. Andrew*, at Chatham, to be forthwith supplied with 28 brass "demi-culverins" out of the brass guns appropriated to the ship, the *Royal Prince*, causing them to be delivered into the charge of the master gunner. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 21.]

April 3. Warrant to the same to cause him to issue 36 tents, completely furnished, for the two troops of grenadiers belonging to the Horse Guards, causing the same to be delivered to the respective commanders-in-chief. [*Ibid.*]

April 3. Whitehall. Warrant to the same to cause the ships *Malaga Merchant*, *Bourdeaux Merchant*, *Owners Love*, *Elizabeth*, ketch, *Brother's Desire*, *Satisfaction* ketch, and *Swan*, pink laden with arms and ammunition, pursuant to the demand of the Duke of Schomberg, to proceed to Carrickfergus. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 23.]

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April 3. Whitehall. Commissions for Alexandre D'Escairac, to be chaplain in the regiment of foot, commanded by Col. La Caillemote [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 23]; and for John Windsor to be chaplain to Col. Ferdinando Hastings' regiment of foot. [*Ibid.*]

April 3. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Frans Van Loon to go to Holland; for Matthew Villers, ditto; for William Barents, ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 119]; for Estienne Periere to go to Flanders; for Margaret Francke, Machelt Backer, and Helena Brandt, with four children to go to Holland; for George Williams, with two milch asses and two colts to go from London to Scotland and to return; for Adriaen Thomasse to go to Holland; for Mrs. Eleanor Grahme, Mrs. Frances Roath [Roach ?], and John Murphy to go to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 120]; for Capt. William Coward to go from London to Cornwall; for Capt. South, with troopers and recruits, to go from London to Chester, Liverpool, Whitehaven, or Hoylake for Ireland; for Johanna Stofste and Annetie Freslong, Dutch soldiers' wives, with two children, to go to Holland; for Mary Surits, Judick Vander Drep (?), Ryckye Goosens and three children, ditto; for Styntie Harmans, Lysbert Slerck, and Cornelia Cornelis, with eight children, ditto; and for Machetelyn Drapers, Mary Mangnes, Jannettie Pieters, Styntie Williams, Johanna Verbrugge, and Francun Holfragel, with eleven children, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 121.]

April 4. Burghfield. John Watmore to James Vernon, offering to take a lease of certain lands. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 2.]

April 4. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Ware. I came here yesterday to take my leave of this court that begin their journey to the bath of Carlesbad next week. We have not yet the Emperor's answer to the proposal made to Baron Goden's envoy. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 228.]

April 4. On board the *George* in the roads of Madeira. The Earl of Inchiquin to [the Earl of Nottingham]. I know you have an account from Col. Kendal and, I suppose, our Admiral, of the dangers the fleet, that has come in hither, has gone through. The *Jersey*, *Guernsey*, a fireship and a ketch, are yet wanting of the King's ships, and I think near 20 merchantmen. I went on shore yesterday upon an invitation of the Governor to dinner, where I received all the honour that could be. The Governor is so particularly kind to the English nation that those of it who reside here lament being likely to lose him. [*H.O. Admiralty* 5, *p.* 7.]

April 4. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent of creating Henry, Lord Delamere, of Dunham Massey, Viscount Delamere and Earl of Warrington, with limitation to the heirs male of his body. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 123.]

April 4. Whitehall. Passes for Jacques Petitbois to go from Harwich or the river into Holland; for Thomas Maitland, esquire, and his servant, Thomas Ross, to go from Dover or Harwich into Flanders; for Hugh Jacobse to go from Harwich or the river into Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 122]; for Gertruyt Laurence, ditto.; for Catryn Beeke, with two

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children, to go to Ireland [*H.O. Warrant Book, p.* 124]; for Lieut. Vandirael (?) to go to Holland; for Jacomyn De Vincke and Cornelia Harmans, Dutch soldiers' wives, ditto; for Elizabeth Vanheyd, Jannetie Santberge, Jannete Hermans, and Judic Crynte, ditto; for Mary Bos, Claiye (?) Maertins, Johanna Teugenagal, Johanna Arents, Catryn Bouve, Eva Borrebagh, and Jannetie Teugenagel, with two children, ditto; and for certain soldiers, unnamed, belonging to the Brandenburg regiment, with their wives and children, ditto. [*Ibid., pp.* 125 *and* 126.]

April 4. Kensington. Passes for the ship *Catherine*, belonging to Wigand Michelbecker and Henry Schuppe, two merchants of Copenhagen, to go from Amsterdam to France and to return with her cargo [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 207]; and for the Swedish ship *Anna Maria*, Lorens Anderson, master, to go from England to Bourdeaux and return to Sweden. [*Ibid., p.* 210.]

April 5. Rochester. Thomas Manley to Sir Joseph Williamson. I am inclined to think it reasonable that every yeoman, grazier, farmer, artificer, tradesman, and single woman of the like degree, trade, and quality being worth 300*l.*, should pay his or her 20*s.* more or less, as well as the man that is usually called "gentleman" being of the same wealth; and the same may be said of persons of 300*l.* or 460*l. per annum*, that were never called esquire, who yet, I humbly conceive, ought—by rule, of proportion of richness which is the best measure in all taxes—to pay us as much as some who by birth or employment are esquires and pay as such, though, peradventure, they have not estates equal to the other, and if you do bring these two degrees of men equal to the gentleman and esquire, I believe that no one article can raise so much money. It seems hard that money should be taxed on a poll when land is not, since it is always taxed when land is. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 3.] *Enclosing:—*

A schedule of persons who should pay poll tax. [*Ibid., No.* 3*i.*]

April 5. Chester Castle. Sir John Morgan to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] By the next post, you will receive the information of Mr. Robinson, upon oath, touching what discourse he had with some Roman catholics near Liverpool, and what commission from the late King he saw, and for whom. He told me he was confident he could make very large discoveries if he went privately thither. He is now gone with a gentleman I desired to take care of him. [*Ibid., No.* 4.]

April 5. On board the *Mary* in Funchal Roads. Colonel J. Kendal to [the Earl of Nottingham]. On Sunday morning, the 9th of March, we, with the rest of his Majesty's ships and merchantmen, being 69 sail, set out from Plymouth Sound; the 15th and 16th following, it blew a storm of wind, but on the 17th its violence was such that our Admiral assures me that since his going to sea he had not known so much wind nor shipped so much water. The next day the storm being over, we made our way to the Channel till the 19th, and then the wind shifting and blowing a storm we put back, hoping to recover our fleet, but only saw one bound to Jamaica. On the 23rd, we came up with nine sail of the Dutch

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but they could give us no account of our fleet. On the 28th, we took a French ship bound for Martinique. On the 1st of April we made the island of Madeira, and on the 2nd we met with nine sail of our own company, two of them men-of war, viz.:—the *Hampshire* and the *Success*. On the 3rd we got into the Road of Funchal where we found the rest of our men-of-war excepting the *Guernsey*, *Jersey* and *Quaker* ketch, and *Richard* and *John* fireship. We intend to stay here for five days for the rest of our fleet, and in case they do not arrive, to make our way to Barbadoes. I should not do justice to our Admiral, Lawrence Wright, if I did not assure your lordship that no man living could behave himself with more prudence, courage, and conduct than he has done. The Governor of this island yesterday invited Lord Inchiquin and me to dinner, drank King William's health and fired all the guns he had. I cannot send your lordship his name, there being at present no one on board our ship that knows it. [*H.O. Admiralty* 5, *p.* 11.]

April 5. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Dean of Bristol. I have moved the King upon your petition, who is pleased to allow you to employ, for five years, the 20*l. per annum*, mentioned in it, for the good of the Cathedral, towards the providing a more convenient grammar school instead of that which is so decayed. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 305.]

April 5. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. Some time since, by direction of his Majesty, I recommended to the Treasury the pretensions of Sir John Morgan, governor of Chester, both as to his pay, and the reimbursing him what he has laid out at Chester, on account of his Majesty's service. As I am often put in mind by him, so I must give you the trouble of moving their lordships again on his behalf. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 306.]

April 5. Whitehall. The same to Sir Ralph Assheton. I have received a letter, subscribed by you and two other gentlemen, giving an account of your having committed Peter Byron, Robert Burton, Henry Boardman and Edward Ellam, with which I shall acquaint his Majesty who, no doubt, will approve very well of what you have done therein. But I find you do not take notice of what you have done, or intend to do, as to Mr. Mollyneux, Mr. Standish, or Mr. Towneley, who are the chief of those persons mentioned in my last and whom consequently there is a greater necessity of securing, than any of the others. [*Ibid.*]

April 5. Whitehall. Order that the form of prayer, prepared and published by the King's direction for the fast day on the 12th of March last, be continued to be used on the respective fast days appointed to be kept every third Wednesday of the month during the present war. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 128.]

April 5. Kensington. Warrant for letters patent to be granted to Rene Grillet for the sole use of an engine invented by him for printing and painting all sorts of calico, English and Scotch cloth, and other stuffs. [*S.P. Dom., Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 212.]

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April 5. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend ——— Beaver, ——— Wells, and ——— Daniel for dispersing seditious pamphlets. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 126.]

April 5. Whitehall. Warrant to Simon Chapman, a messenger, to summon George Turner and Stephen Warriner, merchants of London, to appear before the Earl of Shrewsbury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 127.]

April 5. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Charles, Earl of Monmouth of the wardship of Fulk Walwyn, an idiot. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 129.]

April 5. Warrant to commit Storer Bythwood of East Deane, Sussex, accused of saying that "his present Majesty King William was an "usurper and had unjustly and unnaturally betrayed the rights of "all Englishmen and that he was an outlandish dog and set the "nation at strife." [*Ibid.*, *p.* 156.]

April 5. Passes for Stephen Au Comte, a French protestant, to go to Harwich for Holland [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 211.]; for Constanson Damasses Lievtea, to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 126]; and for the wives of four soldiers of the Brandenburg regiment to go to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 127.]

April 6. Hampstead. Alderman Joseph Herne to James Vernon. Lord Shrewsbury may rely upon my serving him as to the 5,000*l.* he desires to be returned to Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Will & Mary* 3, *No.* 5.]

April 6. Caveat that no grant pass of the next prebend of Worcester, which shall become void, till notice be given to the Earl of Nottingham. This caveat was entered on behalf of Mr. Fleetwood. Notice to be given to Mr. Longford at the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Entry Book* 73, *p.* 9.]

April 6. Whitehall. Warrant for a grant to Baldwin Leighton, esquire, of the office of Warden of the Fleet. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 129.]

April 6. Whitehall. Pass for Hubert Cleyn, surgeon, and his wife and five children, to go from Harwich, or the river into, Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 126]; for Jan Hermans, ditto; for Susanna Jans, with two children, ditto; for Aeltie Elberts, with one child, to come from Holland; for Christin Scatpell, Aeltie Dircse, Jenneke Strickman, with seven children, to embark for Holland; for Cornelia Smits, Dirckye Wamox, and Joanna Poole with two children to go to Holland; for the wives of six soldiers in the Brandenburg regiment, ditto; for Christian Salver, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 127]; for Joan Tromp, Franciente Henricks, Aelliez Cornelez, with three children, ditto; and for Debra Van Egmont, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 128.]

April 7. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Excuses himself for not writing lately. Has no news, and is anxiously awaiting a fair wind to bring the money from Chester. It is difficult to billet the soldiers without money. Promises to send, by a Dublin merchant, an account of that town and that court, also a paper setting forth, in detail, some of the particulars respecting the condition of the enemy, supplied to the merchant by one who is well informed.

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Urges the King to send the infantry from England, and also the artillery, which will have to take a circuitous route and should be sent promptly, as it is rumoured that the enemy will take the field early.

Presses upon the King's notice the talents of the Sieur De La Motte, who had distinguished himself as an engineer in London, with Count Schomberg. The King would find no one better to fill the place of Goulon. Pereyra's brother has arrived with provisions.

I do not know if it is the intention of your Majesty to march with your army from Newry, or from Belturbet to Kells and Trim; for in going from Newry to Dundalk it is a very bad road. I believe the enemy will abandon this place [Dundalk ?] together with Ardee, which they have strengthened a little. It will be necessary always, in coming by this road, to pass the river Boyne, above Drogheda, and there the army of the enemy will apparently appear. If the enemy hold this place [Dundalk ?] it does not seem to me that you can so easily obtain provisions, though you may be near the sea.(1) However, you see every day some persons from Ireland who can inform you. Provided you had the means of bringing the provisions by land, you can go as easily from Belturbet by Kells and by Trim, and the enemy will be obliged, if they are able, to make a last effort, to hinder your Majesty from going to Dublin. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 19.]

April 7. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Baron Turton. It having been represented to the King that Phillip Barcourt, a Frenchman and a soldier, was at the last assizes at Wycombe tried and convicted before you, of horse stealing, but that you thought fit to stay sentence and to order that he should remain in prison till transported or disposed of in such a manner as the King should direct, and his Majesty having, at the same time, been moved by the officer under whose command the said Barcourt was, that he may be discharged and permitted to return to the regiment in Ireland that he formerly belonged to, his Majesty is graciously disposed to condescend to it, I desire therefore you will let me know the state of his case so that I may lay it before his Majesty to receive his further directions in it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 307.]

April 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edmund Allen, asking for a land-waiter's place in the port of London. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 209.]

April 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Watson, desiring an almsman's place in Christ Church, Oxford. Referred to Dr. Henry Aldridge, the dean thereof. [*Ibid.*]

April 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Mary Hopkins to be continued matron of Hounslow Hospital and for the payment of salary due. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid. p.* 210.]

April 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Maurice Bowen. Prays allowance of half-pay until a vacancy of a lieutenancy shall occur. Referred to Viscount Sydney. [*Ibid.*]

(1) The meaning in the original is obscure.

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April 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Capt.-Lieut. Clifford Brexton to Col. Beveridge, stating that he has thrice been passed over by the colonel's groundless prejudice. Desires the matter be referred to the Commissioners of the Army. Referred to the Earl of Marlborough. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 211.]

April 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Butler, late eldest lieutenant of grenadiers in Colonel Beaumont's regiment. Prays for half-pay or a pension. Referred to the Earl of Ranelagh, to place the petitioner on half pay. [*Ibid.*]

April 7. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert St. Claire, esquire, lieutenant-governor of Tilbury Fort, stating that the command of the regiment of fusiliers had been given to the Earl of Marlborough, of which regiment the petitioner was lieutenant-colonel and that in consequence thereof he had not his right of succession as all other lieutenant-colonels of the army had. He further states that the command of the forts of Gravesend and Tilbury had been given to Colonel Selwyn, a gentleman of equal rank with the petitioner, but not of so long service. The said governor now claims the perquisites of the sutling which the petitioner has always enjoyed, it having been confirmed to him by his Majesty's commission. Prays for confirmation of his rights. Referred to Lord Sydney. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 213.]

April 7. Passes for Estienne Demanche and Jacob Carlin, a youth, to go from Dover or the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 128]; for Louis Durin to go to Holland; for Mary Hendricks, Mary Pieters, and Styntie Jans, with five children, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 129]; for Peter Rullier, Peter Cross, and Daniel Eglize, to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake into Ireland; for Mary Van Oycke with three children to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 130]; and for Armede Kan, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 131.]

April 8. Magdalen Hall [Oxford.] Dr. William Levett to James Vernon. I thank you for the grant you sent me. I will let the Chapter at Bristol know to whose kindness we are, all of us, beholden. [*S.P. Dom. Will & Mary* 3, *No.* 6.]

April 8. Hanover. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. The letters from France yesterday are full of the succours being landed in Ireland, which consist of 7,800 men, but I do not expect to hear of any success on our part, but they will then say they were not half so many. The Dauphine's equipage is ready to march, and Madame la Dauphine is much better. We have nothing yet from the Imperial court. The troops have still their orders to be ready to march for Flanders. The Elector of Brandenburg will not be at Berlin yet; he and the Electress stay for the Ambassador of Poland, in Prussia. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 232.]

April 8. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Mr. Jephson. The freighter and master of the ship *Charity* (which was stopped in the Hope in January last on account that she was privately carrying suspected persons for Flanders), having now acquainted me that the Commissioners of the Customs refuse to clear the vessel, in order to her proceeding on her voyage till they are satisfied that I have nothing

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to object against it. I desire you will acquaint the Treasury that now the ship has been searched, I have nothing further to offer for her being longer detained. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 307.]

April 8. Whitehall. The same to Sir William Leveson-Gower. Some time since, his Majesty was pleased to sign a warrant for a circuit pardon for William Beckwith without any condition of transportation; since when, Mr. Baron Turton, who went that circuit the last assizes, has been with me to represent how general a dissatisfaction it has occasioned in those parts, and is therefore of opinion that, to avoid so great a discontent, which may perhaps grow up to a clamour, it will be convenient that Beckwith should be sent out of the kingdom. Seeing therefore that you have appeared in his behalf, I thought fit to give you notice of it, that, upon your answer, such further directions may be given herein, as will be most for his Majesty's service. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 308.]

April 8. Whitehall. The same to Lord Lucas. Mathew Crone having had notice given him to prepare himself for his trial, in order thereunto it is the King's pleasure that he be allowed pen, ink, and paper, and that you do permit such lawyers and solicitors as he shall make choice of to speak with him in private, as is usual in the like occasions. And his Majesty is further pleased to give leave that such of his friends as he shall desire be suffered to have access to him, provided it be in the presence of such person as you shall appoint. [*Ibid.*]

April 8. Kensington. Warrant for letters patent creating Henry, Lord Grey of Ruthyn, Viscount Glamorgan, with limitation to the heirs male of his body. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 213.]

April 8. Whitehall. Passes for Lisbet Druyspot and Anneke Hils to go from Harwich or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 128]; for Elizabeth Millot to go, with one child, from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; for Michiel Balbagli, Adriaen Lamo, and Francis Flemming to go to Holland; for Baron de Neuville to go to Ireland; for Agnes Van Lingen, Jannetie Arents, Hendryn Janse, and Pieternella Thomas, Dutch women, with nine children, to go to Holland; for Mons. de Boissans De La Coste to go to the north of Ireland; and for Adam Philbert, Elizabeth Sandering, and John and Victoria, her two children, to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 131.]

April 9. Exeter. John Snell, mayor of Exeter, and William Sanford, to the Earl of Shrewsbury. We yesterday committed to prison a man and his wife for speaking such words as are set out in the enclosed depositions. We pray direction whether they be bailable. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 7.]

April 9. Edinburgh. Viscount Tarbat to the King. So soon as I came hither this evening I waited on your Commissioner, whom I found under great difficulties by various humours and parties, but in good hopes to

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carry the majority of the Parliament for your service. He assures me that the Highlanders are gone to arms and are more numerous than formerly; and that they threaten all their neighbourhood with fire and sword if they do not join them. Some have sent threatening writs to the Council, desiring to be sheltered with forces, else they must obey them of necessity. He tells also that the Major-General is sending only 600 with the frigates to infest the isles of the west coast, and that there is no money to fit them out, as you only sent down 4,000*l.* This is consigned to the Major-General, but he says that it will not pay what is due and necessary for himself.

There will be more difficulty to prevail with them now that they are at a head than if separate. The party sent to infest the isles should be 800, whereof 200 should remain in garrison at Dunstaphnage; it is not safe to have it in other Highlanders' hands, as I hear the Major-General has appointed; for, albeit, their chief be faithful, and perhaps the men, yet their wives, parents, and goods being obnoxious to the enemy, they may be thereby influenced to act otherwise than will be for your service, or safety of your party. If 200 secure the place, 600 may be sufficient aboard the ships to infest the enemy's coasts, and will do more to bring the Highlanders and Islanders to submission, than a land army of five times that strength. I shall do my utmost to obey you in the trust given me, but I do not hope for much success. The ill will, which many here bear to me, renders me less capable. I told the Lord Commissioner your will of my hastening north, and find him somewhat adverse to it, but since, without being there, I cannot so much as move to any effort in that; I think he will alter his opinion and will haste me to try, for I will soon know what is to be expected, and give you true information. But I put it as an absolute condition to the Commissioner that Colonel Hill, who is here, be sent immediately to command at Dunstaphnage and to order that branch of the war; for I know, too well, that none else here can do it.

As to the Parliament, I dare say nothing. I find adjournments disoblige both your own servants and the Club and they are very angry at any whom they think did counsel it. If you do not support your Commissioner with countenance and money for the use of such forces as must be employed, he cannot go through rough with it; and to consign what money is sent to other hands than his, is to have it sometimes employed not to the most necessary use, for your service. He is under great difficulties from several designs, that it is almost impossible to give so distinct notions of them, at a distance, which urges a more indefinite trust in him. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 20.]

April 9. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lord Almoner. Richard Coleman, who will attend you with this, being represented to me as one who has been disabled in the services of the Crown, and a fit object of his Majesty's charity, I desire to name him to you as one of the persons that, according to the usual custom, I have made choice of, for a share of the King's bounty on Maunday Thursday next, in like manner as any others are to have it. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 309.]

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April 9. Whitehall. Proceeding upon the petition of Captain Samuel Browne, stating that he came over with his Majesty, but, by accident received in the expedition, is compelled to relinquish the army. Prays for some civil employment. Referred to Colonel John Foulke. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 210.]

April 9. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of several French refugees, captains and lieutenants, praying to be put on the list of reformed officers, and to be paid what is due to them for raising the French regiments. Referred to William Harboard, esquire, Paymaster of the Forces in Ireland. [*Ibid. p.* 212.]

April 9. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend ——— Mason, as the author of libels thrown about the streets of the cities of London and Westminster, to the great disturbance of the peace. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 132.]

April 9. Whitehall. Passes for Leonard Snyder, to go from Harwich or the river, for Holland; for Isaac Avenaux, Charles Herdoin, to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; and for Francis Cook, to go from Dover, or the river, to Flanders. [*Ibid., p.* 131.]

April 10. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Bristol. I have received your letter with the account of the three prisoners of war sent hither by Captain Frowde, and I have given notice of them to his Majesty's Commissioners appointed to take care of prisoners, who will supply what is necessary for their maintenance, according to the King's allowance. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 309.]

April 10. Whitehall. The same to Sir John Morgan. I have received your letter with Robinson's deposition and that matter is now lying before the King who will speedily give order in it. I have written to Mr. Jephson to remind the Treasury of your pretensions. [*Ibid.*]

April 10. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Bristol. Some time since I sent you a letter, whereof the enclosed is a duplicate, but have received no answer, and lest it be miscarried, and there being no time to be lost, I have sent this by a messenger. I have nothing to add but that if any of the persons therein mentioned refuse to attend the messenger, you give me notice of it, so that subpœnas may be issued for that purpose. *The like letter was sent to the Mayor of Tenby.* [*Ibid., p.* 310.]

April 10. Whitehall. Warrant to Col. John Beaumont, lieutenant of Dover Castle, to swear and admit Edward Eastman as gunner of Moats Bulwark, in Kent in the room of William Salter. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 97.]

April 10. Whitehall. Warrant for permission to Mr. Ward, Mr. Jones, Mr. Dodd and Mr. Darnel, counsellors-at-law, and Mr. Bean and Mr. Courteney, solicitors, to have access to Matthew Crone a prisoner in the Tower for high treason, to assist him in the preparations for his trial. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 134.]

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April 10. Whitehall. Warrant to Colonel Edward Matthews to search for concealed arms belonging to papists, and to apprehend all Irish papists together with other traitors and conspirators of whom he shall have information, in the counties of Lancaster, Chester, York, Cumberland, Westmorland, Stafford and the adjacent counties. [*H.O. Warrant Book, p.* 135.]

April 10. Whitehall. Warrant for letters patent of creation of Henry, Lord Delamere, as Earl of Warrington, with limitation to the heirs male of his body. [*Ibid., p.* 138.]

April 10. Whitehall. A recommendation by the King of Francis Key, for a child's place in the Charter House. [*H.O. King's Letter Book* 1, *p.* 19.]

April 10. Whitehall. Pardon for Richard Meredith convicted at the Old Bailey for the murder of John Paschall. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 214.]

April 10. Whitehall. Commission to John Manson, clerk, to be chaplain to Col. Francis Langston's regiment. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 25.]

April 10. Passes for Mons. Beaujean to go from Dover or the river to Flanders; for Aeltie Schispers, Johanna Van Bean, Johanna Dys and Jannetie Vanbroeck, Dutch women, with five children, to go to Holland: for Catryna Smits, Maria Gerber, Barbara Werckhove, and Claesse Vander Block, Dutch women, with two children, ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 132]; for Daniel, Robert, and Isaac Thomas, "suttlers" to the Duke of Schomberg, to go to Ireland; for Jacob Fois and Philip Friquet to go to Holland; for Jannetie Noorendrop, Cornelia Noorendorp, Geertrught Rasineck, and Anneleda Schnerkamp Dutch women, with four children, ditto; for Capt. Archibald Rowe, Mr. William Saul, chaplain, and Mr. Thomas Alcroft to go from Dover or the river to Flanders; for Katherine La Ferier, a native of Ghent, with a young child, to go from from Dover or the river to Flanders; for Geertraght Cornelis, to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 133]; for Thomas Conyers to go to Newcastle; for Mons. Beaujean (*see above*) with Thomas Barrum and Charles Godfrey to go from any part of the river to Flanders [*Ibid., p.* 134]; and for Henry Valke to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 134]. Thomas Barum is described as a little slender man, a Frenchman, and Mons. Beaujean's servant; and Charles Godfrey as a well set middle-sized man, with a thick upper lip, also Mons. Beaujean's servant. [*Ibid., p.* 134.]

April 11. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. We are daily in expectation of the Emperor's resolution whether the troops of this family shall march for Flanders. There is much talk that the Turks have desired a peace, and the last letters say that the Brandenburg and Saxe troops will soon begin their march; I hope ours will not be long behind. [*H.O. Regencies* 8, *p.* 236.]

April 11. Kensington. Warrant for a grant to Andrew Hamilton, clerk, of the deanery of Kilmore in the province of Ulster, void by the death of Edward Dixey the late dean. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *pp.* 48 *and* 49.]

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April 11. Whitehall. Allowance of the expenses of Sir William Dutton Colt, envoy to the Courts of Brunswick, Lunenburg and Hesse Cassel from the 28th August, 1689 to 28th February, 1689–90. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 217.]

April 11. Passes or post-warrants for Ral. Inmon to go from Harwich to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 134]; for Dorothy Meyers, with two children, ditto; from Mary Lambrights, with one child, ditto; for Robert Sanderson and his servant. William Stevenson, to go from London to Scotland; for Robert King to go from any part of the kingdom to Ireland; for Hermon Bunick to go from Harwich to Holland; and a blank post-warrant to go to Bristol. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 136.]

April 11. Pass for a Danish ship, the *Sophia Amelia*, Gerridt Sibrandt master, to go from Copenhagen to France and return. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 215.]

April 11. Kensington. The like for a Swedish ship the *Crowned Love*, Captain Daniel Cometke, master, to go from England to Bordeaux and return to Sweden. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 216.]

April 12. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir Henry Johnson. The King, having been moved upon the petition of several poor people—who were some time since burnt out of their habitations by a fire which happened in the Hermitage—praying for a distribution of the money collected upon a loan, granted for that occasion, has commanded it to be sent to you as one of the trustees, that you may give the necessary directions in the matter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 310.]

April 12. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Fawell, stating that he served King Charles I. and is now incapacitated through age. Prays for an almsman's place in Durham Cathedral. Referred to the Clerk of the Signet. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 212.]

April 12. Whitehall. The like reference on a petition of Lancelot Taylor, also praying, in consideration of his long services, to be an almsman at Durham. [*Ibid.*]

April 12. Whitehall. Warrant to William Robinson and Bartholomew Van Homrigh to be Commissaries-General of the provisions for the army. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 30.]

April 12. Warrant for ———, Emitt, constable, to deliver the sword taken from Mathew Crone, a prisoner in the Tower, to Lord Lucas. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 137,]

April 12. Whitehall. Warrant for the Earl of Bedford to preserve game at Woburn Abbey. [*Ibid.*, *p* 140.]

April 12. Whitehall. Commissions for William, Lord O'Brien to be captain of the troop whereof Captain Wood was captain, in Colonel Robert Byerley's regiment of horse [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 27]; and for Cornelius Wood to be major of the same regiment. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 35.]

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April 12. Passes or post-warrants for Jacob Le Clerc to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 122]; for Mr. Henry Thackston, Mr. Carrington, and Mr. Hutchinson to go to Flanders; for Thomas Calpeter to go from Harwich to Holland; for Mr. Matthew Ashton to go from London to Chester; for John Watson to go from London to Scotland; for Colonel Edward Matthews to go from London to Lancashire [*Ibid.*, *p.* 137]; and for Ursin Allard, Mary, his wife, Stephen Rozier, and Elizabeth, their servant, to go to Gravesend for Holland or Flanders. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 217.]

April 13. Edinburgh. Viscount Tarbat to the King. The Commissioner allowed me to give in your letter and protection to be recorded in council; but Polwarth and Cardross came to me and assured me that, albeit, the production of it might be for my safety, yet it would dissatisfy several who were now on the Commissioner's side, since it would raise apprehensions in them of your taking many others in your protection and thereby disappoint the hopes of many; and, thereupon, I have forborne to give it in, and will lie rather in the hazard, that irritate any at such a time to your prejudice.

I had immediately retired to England if you had not commanded me otherwise. In order to this, so soon as I have taken the oath of allegiance in Parliament I will go north. I have advised the Commissioner to hasten Colonel Hill to Inverness, for no man could be fitter to assist in this design than he, whilst, in the meantime, a party is sent with the frigates, to infest the isles, and west coast, and the forces on that hand, with the other methods of treating by and with them they trust, I hope may have some success for your service. Lord Breadalbane is gone, ere I came hither, to essay something of this kind, and Caddell Campbell has undertaken [to go] on the Council's warrant. I wish both of them may prevent me by their success, but I have employed Sir Duncan Campbell, who, I presume, may prevail somewhat by the arrangements he is to use.

Colonel Hill has, by staying to preserve Belfast and the country round about it, so exhausted his small stock, that he has not enough to sustain him, suitable to his character, unless you order it. But, ere the forces necessary for garrisoning at Dunstaphnage or Dunolly be ready with necessary provisions, "he and I will have put that of treating to a trial fully," and if they do not submit, if you order forces and fit officers to command them in such posts and methods, as may debar the Highlanders from descending into the low countries, and give 1,000 foot and two troops of dragoons to Colonel Hill in a fit garrison on the west coast, I little doubt his doing more for your service, and to the enemy's detriment with the frigates, in a month, than all your forces have done now in twelve months. But I presume you will capacitate him for it, with the ordinary advances, as a colonel, and suitable and necessary provisions for the little garrison, at least for five or six months of trial.

As to your affairs here, my Lord Commissioner will give you much better information than I can; he has as hard a task as ever a Commissioner had, "and denial of money in what countrymen are easily induced to." I am sure he is as diligent as mortal can be and

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is very hopeful of success; so are many on his side. But the other party are as confident, at least, and there are several of the cavalier party who fear and complain of their usage, and there is little doubt but they will join interest with other opponents, both pretending for you. The prorogations are complained of by both sides. Would to God your affairs could allow you to meet a Parliament here, and one not engaged in quarrels. I should little fear any ill effect from such a meeting, but do extremely from all other meetings. I hope I may be disappointed,

The Highlanders have, as yet, no more joined with them than they had last year, except the Macphersons, of Badenoch, who hovered all this while, and Caddell did undertake to bring them off, but it is said that they are now joined to the enemy. I shall not presume to say anything of posting your army, that being out of my sphere, but, hitherto, they were so posted, as to give little trouble to your enemies, and have exceedingly vexed us, your peaceable subjects, for as they have had little pay from the first of November, so they have taken free quarter to the ruin of many, and irritation of more, and money seems necessary to repay in some measure such as are now altogether "depauperated" with free quarter. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 21.]

April 13. Whitehall. Passes for Pierre Dezmaretts to go to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 136]; for Jan Wecker Wagener to go to Holland [*Ibid., p.* 137]; for Henry Goodman to go from Dover to Flanders; and for Andrew Scott, and Henrick Govaerts, ditto. [*Ibid., p.* 138.]

April 14. [Viscount Tarbat] to the King. The humours here are so soon stirred and therefore so various, that the Lord Commissioner is at an extreme pinch how to carry [himself] at the sitting of the Parliament; the adjournments are so disobliging that thereon the western people are likely to go to arms, and several who were for him are drawing off. This forces him to resolve rather to cast himself on your goodness, than to expose your interest to hazard, and if he can satisfy them with passing some Acts voted, but not touched, last session, viz., an Act restoring the Presbyterian ministers, who were suddenly cast out, *anno* 1662, to their churches, and another for rescinding an Act, *anno* 1669, relating to the supremacy, which it is said leaves the supremacy of the Crown untouched as it was before that act, he will adventure to give these two to calm a present or imminent storm. But it is likely they will not be imposed on and will discern, if this take not, of the Crown's supremacy, and so not be satisfied. If you should meet with this, then be pleased to consider if it may not be fit, at this juncture, to establish presbytery by a proclamation in its exercise of the government, as it was preceding 1660, until a Parliament meet to establish it on as lasting foundations as it is capable to stand on, and so convince all who will, that its full settlement stands not at your Majesty; but of this I leave the Commissioner to write more fully. For perhaps it is foolhardiness in me to write at all in this matter, who am so circumstantial that I repent my coming to Scotland, if I was not solaced by your command to do so for an agreement amongst your servants and well-wishers. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 22.]

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April 14. Corunna. Maria, Queen of Spain, to the King. Announcing her safe arrival in Spain and thanking him for the escort afforded by Lord Russell. *Holograph. Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest, No.* 23.]

April 14. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. By a letter from Beaumaris, I understand that James Willing, gunner to one of those Scotch frigates, some time since taken by the French, is, with several others who have escaped from Dublin, lately arrived at that place. He seems troubled that he had no more hands to assist him when he came out of Dublin Bay in an open boat. He says if he had had three or four more he would have brought away the *Advice* yacht, and with two small frigates would undertake to bring away or burn the *Pelican* in that harbour bound for France, together with Capt. Bennett's ship which lies there, and also the *Advice* yacht which the Irish used to send over to the Welsh coast. [*H O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 312.]

April 14. Whitehall. Licence to Sir John Houblon, knt., sheriff of London, to live out of the city and county of Middlesex during his term of office. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 40.]

April 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Abraham Arlingham, praying to be "provided for in Chelsea and to have the benefit of the next Maundy." Referred to the Lord Almoner. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 212.]

April 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain John Verdier and Lieutenant Vialas, reformed officers in La Caillemote's regiment, praying to be continued upon the Irish Establishment and for payment of arrears. Referred to William Harboard, esq. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 213.]

April 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Patrick Kelly, brickmaker, stating that he has been impressed; he, having a wife and family depending on him, prays for his discharge. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 214.]

April 14. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Furlong, praying to be reinstated as King's waiter at Bristol, which office was granted to him for services at sea. Referred to the Commissioners of the Treasury. [*Ibid.*]

April 14. Whitehall. Warrant for a *congé d'élire* to the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, Oxford, to elect a bishop, the see being void by the death of Timothy Hall, the late bishop, and recommending to them John Hough, D.D. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 49.]

April 14. Whitehall. Warrant to Charles, Earl of Dorset, Chamberlain of the Household, to give order for swearing Sir Francis Lawley as Master of the Jewel House. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 139.]

April 14. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Storer Bythwood for treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 141.]

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April 14. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, desiring him to supply to the ship *St. Andrew*, now fitting out, 4 culverins of 11 ft., for chase, 22 culverins of 9 ft. and 8 culverins of 6 ft., to be delivered to the master-gunner of the said ship. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 26.]

April 14. Whitehall. Warrant to the same, desiring him to cause the arms of seven companies of Foot belonging to the 2nd regiment, now unserviceable, to be exchanged, causing them to be delivered to Col. Thomas Talmash. [*Ibid., p.* 26.]

April 14. Whitehall. Warrant to the same, desiring him to cause such arms and appurtenances as shall be necessary for arming the new regiments to be delivered to their respective colonels. [*Ibid.*]

April 14. Pass or post-warrants for Sir Purey Cust, with his servants, recruits, horses, and equipage to go from London to Chester, by way of Stamford, or otherwise, as he shall see fit, for Ireland; for Bartholt Thives to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 138]; for Adriaen Van Sool, ditto [*Ibid., p.* 139]; for Messrs. Stannier and Balguerie, ditto [*Ibid., p.* 140]; for George Powell and John Figures to go to any part of the kingdom and to return; and for Robert Pedley to go from Dover to Flanders. [*Ibid., p.* 141.]

April 15. John Knat, mayor of Queenborough, to [the Earl of Shrewsbury.] The papers sent me from Major Kitchell concern one of our burgesses of Parliament, Captain Crawford, who desires they may be sent to you. The Corporation wish your lordship to let them know how the King is satisfied with Capt. Crawford's fidelity, if the King gave him his hand to kiss as a mark of his favour and satisfaction, and if Mr. Fuller's sickness reflects upon him. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 8.]

April 15. Wolfenbüttel. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. We do not hear what resolutions the Emperor has taken as to our troops, and guarantee in our possession of Saxe Lauenburg. Three or four days since 130 men of the Duke's returned from the Morea, the only remainder of 1,100, and the youngest prince of this Court has gone to marry the Princess Saxe Lauenburg. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 240.]

April 15. London. News letter. On the 9th inst. the *Monk*, the *Charles* galley, the *Mary* galley, and the *Smyrna*, with three tenders, went to convoy 25 ships, laden with waggons, money, and horses, for the army in Ireland and set sail from Hoylake with a fair wind. His Majesty goes to Ireland on the 27th inst.

Letters from Holland say that the Elector of Saxony has declared to the Diet at Ratisbon that he is not willing to send any forces to the Rhine till he is satisfied as to the business of Saxony and Lauenburg, and if he is not satisfied that he will employ his forces for the recovery of his rights to that Dukedom. Amsterdam has her fleet in great forwardness, and the States have resolved to send 15 men-of-war to join our fleet. The Protestants of Piedmont have sent to those of Switzerland to demand help or

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they will not be able to resist the enemy. A great number of ships have left Amsterdam for England.

The King yesterday gave his consent to an Act, amongst others, for making a separate parish in Bangor. Mr. Cox, our envoy, has obtained what he was sent for to the Swiss Cantons they giving leave to raise the forces he desired from them. A private gentleman in the Protestant Cantons has, on his own account, raised 200 men for the King's service. A ship of Amsterdam, worth 50,000*l.*, coming from Venice, was taken and carried to St. Malo.

The Dukes of Brandenburg and Bavaria have resolved to act with all their forces against France, but the Duke of Saxony remains of his former opinion. The Confederates and the French are using all their endeavours to bring the two Northern Crowns to declare for them. The Danes are steadfast for the Confederates, but it is doubtful what the Swedes will do. A message from the Commons, with a bill to raise money by a poll or otherwise towards reducing Ireland, and for prosecuting the French war, was read a first time. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 102, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 393.]

April 15. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Exeter. I have received your letter with the enclosed deposition of John Mills against James Grantham and his wife, who are committed to prison for words spoken by the wife and justified by the husband. I do not see why they may not be bailed, but care should be taken to oblige them to stand their trial. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 311.]

April 15. Whitehall. The same to Lord Lumley. I send you some letters I received from the Lieutenant-Governor of Berwick and I hear there are other letters in town to the same effect, so that it seems necessary that something should be done to discountenance those meetings of disaffected persons and papists. Therefore, I propose for your consideration whether it may not be fit for the justices of the peace and the deputy-lieutenants to go through the county again and give orders for disarming the papists and their adherents. [*Ibid.*]

April 15. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Jephson. Mr. George Payne, who brought an account to the King from Dublin, and came from there with some Protestant seamen whose charges he defrayed, is to receive 30*l.* for the same. [*Ibid., p.* 313.]

April 15. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick, desiring him to cause three "neiled iron culverings with 15 rounds of shot" to be issued for the defence and security of the town of Dover, causing them to be delivered to the Mayor of Dover. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 25.]

April 15. Whitehall. Warrant appointing John Waddon as lieutenant-governor of Pendennis Castle in Cornwall. [*Ibid., p.* 27.]

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April 15. Whitehall. Warrant to the Earl of Bridgewater, lord-lieutenant of the county of Bucks, to appoint Sir Peter Tyrell, John Whitrong and Charles Stafford, as his deputy-lieutenants. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 28.]

April 15. Whitehall and Kensington. Passes for Leonard Cesternini to go to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 139]; for Peter Denman to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland, recommended by Dr. Primrose, minister of the French Church in London [*Ibid.*, *p.* 141]; for the ship *Edgar*, of London, John Shipman, master, to sail from Emden to Newcastle and thence to London [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 219]; and for Adolphus Meetkirke and Mr. Samuel Greenway to go to Dover for Flanders. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 220.]

April 16. Burghfield. John Watmore to James Vernon. Desiring an answer concerning the lease of certain land. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 9.]

April 16. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Commissioners of the Customs. The enclosed information of George Turner and Stephen Warriner, merchants, concerning several bylanders and English vessels trading to Dunkirk with lead and other goods, having been laid before the King, he directs me to transmit it to you that care should be taken to discover and punish the persons so trading. I find you have heard of this matter from Mr. Peregrine Bertie. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 313.]

April 16. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Queenborough. I have received your letter with the two enclosed papers signed T. Kitchell. You have done yourselves and Mr. Crawford a great deal of right in making this inquiry. I have introduced him to the King, who declared his good opinion of his loyalty to his service. The endeavours of the French Court either to corrupt Mr. Crawford or give ill impressions of him to the King have had no effect. I suppose your Corporation and all that knew him, will increase the esteem they have for him. As to whether Mr. Fuller's sickness be imputed to Mr. Crawford, I have heard that he contracted some indisposition since his return from Sheerness. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 314.]

April 16 Whitehall. Pardon of Elizabeth Deacon convicted for the murder of Mary Cox, her apprentice, by immoderate correction. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 143.]

April 16. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend Isaac Threlkeld, a Scotchman, for treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 144.]

April 16. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for Mrs. Catherine Gage, Lady Frances Abell, Sarah Brown, her servant maid, Mary Sonyle, Catherine Wells, Elizabeth Cook, her servant maid, Elizabeth Newland, Frances Taylor, her servant maid, and James Buckworth, footboy, to go from Dover to Flanders; for Henry, Lord Ruthven, eldest son of Anthony, Earl of Kent, to travel abroad for purposes of study [*Ibid.*, *p.* 142]; for Martyntie Vanberg to go from Harwich or the river to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 143]; for Pierre Tosa, ditto; and for James Montgomery to go from Dover or the river to Flanders [*Ibid.*, *p.* 144.]

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April 17. Portsmouth. Col. Gibson to James Vernon. There arrived here yesterday a small ship from Dieppe, bringing over Lady Sheldon, with two men and seven women attendants, and some prisoners of war; nineteen such prisoners had been taken off her at sea by the captain of the *Foresight*. The master sent the enclosed letters to the post-house. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 10.]

April 17. Trefusis. Mrs. B. Trefusis to the same. I want words to thank you for yours bringing me news of Frank's safe arrival at Rotterdam. They were but 25 hours on the water. A French privateer came to them, fired two guns, but they gave her a broadside, at which she tacked about and ran away as fast as she could. Our affairs at Penrhyn are unsettled; I doubt the number for Mr. Godolphin [*Ibid.*, *No.* 11.]

April 17. Dover. John Bullard, mayor of Dover, to the same. I caused Mr. Robert Pedley to be strictly searched, but no letters or passports were found upon him. The packet does not go till Saturday, when he will be searched again. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 12.]

April 17. Burghfield. Robert Bridgewater to the same. As to leasing certain lands. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 13.]

April 17. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. The 50,000*l.* sterling having arrived, the day before yesterday, I have worked with Curtis, who is the Commissioner that Mr. Harboard has left here, in order to make a payment to the troops on a right reckoning. I have kept back so much money, that we can still make a payment in three weeks' time, but I must remind you that I believe it will still be necessary to send some more money soon so that we may pay the accounts of the officers, without which there will not be a captain able to buy a horse for himself and one to carry a little baggage for him. I have had experience of this defect in the last campaign, in which the officers not having horses were compelled to remain without that which people with a little prudence are accustomed in England to take with them in travelling in their country from one inn to another. If you employ a Treasurer, as they inform us, is done in England, it would be a good thing if he came here soon, so that he could be present at the officers' reckonings for the coats, stockings, shoes, and provisions, with a very clear order in which your Majesty should declare if it is your wish that the infantry be paid in full.

Refers to the deceptive returns given in the muster rolls. As for the cavalry, they will be very glad to have the horses you have sent, so that they may be remounted. They are obliged to appear with their companies complete. I have a complaint to make against Greehill, the deputy of the Admiralty at Chester, for the manner he has conducted the embarkation of the Danish troops, sending them off with scanty supplies of water and beer; however, they have not been much inconvenienced as they had a very good passage.

Pereyra's brother is much troubled at having no hay, and the grass is too short to cut for fodder. I am told that Sir John Newcombe's wife has arrived at Belturbet; she held, with a

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small garrison, her castle in Connaught, but being forced to surrender has, according to the terms of capitulation, been sent here; more than a hundred women have come with her. They say that the enemy's troops are in a very bad condition and badly mounted. Colonel Wolseley having obtained Killishandra Castle by capitulation, there were led out, a captain and 100 men; the castle was strong, but there was no water, and as it is well situated to serve as a place for parties and convoys, if we march to Kells, I sent to him not to demolish, but to sink wells. My letter did not reach him in time, and he had left the place having undermined it. Not knowing this an engineer named Nolibois, a useful and very active man, was killed. Recommends that Mons. De La Motte should be employed as engineer. I would not speak of him so much if I did not know him so well. I have taught him part of what he knows by providing him with good masters as well as by making him my page. I have been with him in various sieges, and at the siege of Ypres he was still my page. I do not know of any other engineer across the channel. I do not think you will have any great sieges in Ireland; but perhaps he would be useful in another country as he knows the condition of places very well.

Thinking it well, as far as possible, to take necessary precautions for your arrival I have planned with Pereyra to buy 700 or 800 small horses, which will cost hardly 40s., to carry grain and biscuit to the weight of 200 lbs.; they will cost nothing to feed. I shall buy also 100 for the artillery.

You will hear that I have bought 1,000 or 1,500 cows which can be easily led with the army. By the news that I have just had, it appears that the enemy wish to make the first move in the campaign, and that before all the troops come from England; if this is so, I think the best way will be to stay behind Armagh, so as not to fatigue the troops, or to risk anything until you come.

I have often told Mr. Robinson and Van Homrigh that I want money for bread, cheese, stockings, shoes, and other things for the troops; they say they often write to the Committee of Irish Affairs and that they are waiting for a reply. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 24.]

April 17. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. Has received a further account of affairs in Dublin and of the state of the enemy which contains much the same matter as that given in previous letters. The citizens believe that they have only to send us an account of the most trivial occurrence to make us hasten to come [to their aid]; such is also the idea in London. It is thought that, as Mr. Harboard said, we have only to go to Dublin in order to gain a victory. This is not so, although, even with the help of France, their army will not be stronger than in the last campaign, and the Irish are in a very bad state.

Is glad that artillery has been sent off for Ireland, and that horses and money will also be despatched. Immediately the latter arrives some shall be sent to General Kirke for the army, and I will tell him to visit all the regiments of infantry in the several garrisons. I do not know if Mr. Douglas would also be willing to take that

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trouble, for I find him more proud and more inclined to stand upon his official dignity than when he came. He pressed me very much to give him an order to the Treasurer; and when it was told him, in my presence, that this was a thing contrary to the orders we have here in writing, he went away in a huff. It is astonishing that a man can be, at the same time so interested and so proud.

As soon as Count Schomberg arrives, I shall send him into all the quarters of the cavalry, so that he can drill the greater part of them, as even the officers do not know how to fire. I fear lest Count Schomberg should ask you to give him some "dignite chimerique"; this is no time for that, but we will both make an effort to merit title by our services. I am striving to save the little forage that there is for the cavalry, so as to make it last to the end of this month, after that, the cavalry will put their horses to grass, in some good meadow. As for the rank to be taken in the army by the Danes, we shall wait for that until you arrive. The Duke of Wurtemburg is very busy, visiting the garrisons and putting them in good order, he has given directions for one of the battalions to be sent to Belturbet to make preparation for the campaign. The money that the Danes waited for has come, and I have sent it to the coast. *Holograph.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 25.]

April 17. London. News letter. Letters from Ireland say that the late King has commanded the inhabitants to bring all their corn into his store-houses where they will receive brass money for it; they are to keep only sufficient for seed and for the use of their families. They are also to bring in all their horses, above 14 hands high, fit for service and to receive brass money for them, and every sheriff or justice of the peace is to set fire to the beacons and raise the *posse comitatus* upon sight of the enemy. King James has also ordered a great body of men to march to Dublin for its defence.

On the 13th instant, there arrived at Milford two men-of-war with 30 sail and 2,000 men on board bound for Ireland. On the 12th instant 460 soldiers, besides officers, belonging to Major-General Trelawny's regiment came to Barnstaple to be shipped for Ireland with the rest of the forces that lay there and at Bideford. Letters from Edinburgh say that several forces are ordered to the Isle of Mull to reduce the Highland clans. The English and Dutch fleets are still at Spithead.

Six companies of Lord Monmouth's regiment are ordered to march into Portsmouth. The battalion of guards leave on their arrival. Letters from Holland say that motion was made in the States to intercept all correspondence with France, but the cities of Amsterdam and some others will not agree to it. The privateers of Toulon have taken three prizes which came from Alexandria. Lord Porter has had audience with the French King, as envoy-extraordinary from King James. Letters from Frankfort of the 12th instant say that the French had several boats before Philipsburg designed for some considerable enterprise. The King has declared Dr. Howe, Principal of Magdalen College, Bishop of Oxford. Mr. Crone will be tried for bringing over treasonable letters from France enclosed in a key. [*Greenwich Hospital, News Letters* 3, *No.* 103, *and Greenwich Hospital, News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 395.]

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April 17. Whitehall. The King to Edward Lloyd high sheriff of Montgomery, granting him leave to live out of that country during his term of office. [*S.P. Dom. King's Letter Book* 2, *p.* 40.]

April 17. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to Sir John Morgan. Col. Matthews being sent into Lancashire and the adjacent counties to apprehend Rose, against whom information has been given, it is thought necessary that Mr. Robinson, whose depositions you sent up, should speak with the Colonel whom he will find at Preston. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 314.]

April 17. Whitehall. Warrant for a writ of summons to Robert Bertie, esq., by the name of Robert Willoughby de Eresby, chevalier, returnable into the House of Peers on the 21st April. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 220.]

April 17. Whitehall. Warrant appointing William Collier as lieut.-governor of the Castle of Deal in Kent, whereof John Granville, esq., is governor. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 28.]

April 17. Whitehall. Pass for Charles Brabant a native of Brussels, Mary his wife, Thomas, Richard, Mary and Barbary, his children, and Margaret Wolf to go from Dover or the river to Flanders. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 144.]

April 18. Wolfenbüttel. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. I return to-morrow to Zell, hoping to see Mr. Johnson on his way to Berlin and also Lord Cavendish and his brother who have come from Vienna, and intend to see our courts. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 244.]

April 18. The Earl of Shrewsbury. Richard Roach, mariner, being engaged upon the King's service, which will require his attendance in town for three weeks or a month, it is his Majesty's pleasure that you give protection to the said Richard Roach against being pressed for that period. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 35.]

April 18. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty to the same effect as the foregoing. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 315.]

April 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Matthew Crone a prisoner in the Tower charged with high treason, praying for a reasonable time after his arraignment to call witnesses. Referred to the Attorney-General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 214.]

April 18. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the inhabitants of Rochester, Strood and Chatham, praying for payment of money due to them for maintenance of sick and wounded seamen and soldiers. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 215.]

April 18. Whitehall. Commission to Rowland Davis to be Chaplain to Lord Cavendish's regiment of horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 35.]

April 18. Whitehall. Warrant to apprehend ———— Pool, a bookseller, John Mullett, Benjamin Molson, William Haskar, John Quinney and John Shutter for printing and publishing scandalous and seditious pamphlets

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entitled "A relation of what most remarkably happened during the last campaigne in Ireland," and "the Abhorrence, or Protestant observations in Dublin, upon the principles and practices of the Protestants at London." [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 145.]

April 18. Whitehall. Warrant to the Chief Justice of the King's Bench and the Recorder of London, directing that if John Powell, who is to be tried at the Court of King's Bench in Easter Term for killing William Roberts, shall be convicted, the execution of the sentence be deferred until the King is acquainted with the same; and that if the said Powell should be found guilty of manslaughter only, that bail be taken for his appearance at the next term. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 146.]

April 18. Allowance of the expenses of John Andrew Eckhart, esq., resident at Brussels. [*Ibid.*]

April 18. Warrants for the apprehension of John Gamlin, clerk, at Faversham, for treasonable practices; and for the pardon of John Powell for the manslaughter of William Roberts. [*Ibid.*]

April 18. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse to bring up Michael Osber, a prisoner for high treason, in order to his being discharged. [*Ibid.* *p.* 147.]

April 18. Blank warrant for an arrest for treasonable practices, delivered to Lord Lovelace. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 148.]

April 18. Whitehall. Passes for Ceelsie Tulmans, with four children, to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 145]; for Major Francis Palmes, Sir Purey Cust, Lieut. Norton, and Quartermaster Little, with troopers and recruit horses, to embark at Chester, Hoylake or Liverpool for Ireland; for Mr. Matthew Latture to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 146]; for Major Francis Palmes to go from London to Chester, Hoylake, or Liverpool [*Ibid.*, *p.* 147]; and for Mr. Griffith to go from London to Carnarvonshire and return. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 149.]

April 19. London. News letter. Letters from Edinburgh of the 12th say that Col. Lestead's regiment sailed from Greenock for Belfast on the 9th. Some horse and foot are appointed to keep guard at the Cross of Edinburgh during the present session of Parliament there. The Marquis of Atholl or Viscount Tarbat will be made Lord Chancellor of that kingdom. One Sinclair, who was at liberty on bail, has gone to the Highland army. Lewis Hay and one Telford with two other prisoners, made their escape from the Cannongate. At a general meeting of the Highlanders some men were ordered to go the Isle of Skye to bring word which of the clans, and what number of men would join them this spring; it is said they will not amount to 1,500 although they are promised their pay constantly. That they may not do this, Col. Hill has already marched.

On the 14th and 15th there arrived at Chester 400 horse for Ireland. The prisoners taken by the *St. Albans* frigate are sent to Chester Castle. The English and Dutch men-of-war are still at Spithead. 1,500 of Col. Luttrell's regiment left Barnstaple on the 16th for Ireland. The English and Scotch prisoners from St. Malo

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say that the French fleet, now fitting out, will consist of 130 sail. The *York*, *Crown*, and *Mordaunt* frigates are gone to cruise. Several inhabitants of New England have exhibited articles against Sir Edward Andros, their late governor, but upon those who gave the information not consenting to disclose their names, he was discharged.

A party of Col. St. John's regiment, with a troop of Enniskillen dragoons, went to Castle Blaney and fired some shot in at the windows; they then went towards Atherdee and brought from there a great number of cattle. On the 9th the last regiment of Danish horse that came from Scotland were landed at Whitehouse near Belfast. The *Foresight* has brought into the Downs a French privateer. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 104, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 399.]

April 19. London. News letter. The Danes have besieged Charlemont. The Houses of Parliament have agreed that all the 500*l.* forfeitures shall be given to the King and Queen. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 105, *and Ibid.*, *p.* 401.]

April 19. Whitehall. Warrant to the keeper of the Gatehouse to discharge Michael Osber committed for high treason. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 148.]

April 19. Whitehall. Warrant to Henry, Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal, to permit Henry Seymour of Orchard Portman in the county of Somerset, esq., to assume the name and arms of Portman, Sir William Portman, lately deceased, having settled his estate upon the said Henry Seymour upon condition of his so changing his name. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 150.]

April 19. Whitehall. Warrant appointing Count Mainhart Schomberg as general of the horse. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 34.]

April 19. Whitehall. Commission to the same to be colonel of the regiment of horse lately commanded by Lord William Cavendish and likewise to be captain of a troop. [*Ibid.*]

April 19. Whitehall. Passes for Jeanne Saunie with five children to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 145]; for Isaac Cordier to go to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 148]; for William Milraedt, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 149]; and for the *Ann* yacht, to sail for Holland, to receive on board Charles, Lord Spencer, and to return with him, and his servants, to England. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 35.]

April 20. Whitehall. Passes or post-warrants for John Norton and Thomas Brown to go from Dover into Flanders; for Ariaentie Deyl, with four children to go from Harwich or the river to Holland; for Captain William Pulteney to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; and for John Frame to go from London to York. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 149.]

April 21. London. E. Essex to the King, begging him to remember some request, and signify his pleasure therein to the Queen. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 26.]

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April 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Thomas Hume, mentioning his services and sufferings in the late revolution, and praying for a commission in the Ennskillen regiment in Ireland. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 215.]

April 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Jane Adams, widow of Captain Adams, aged about 60 years, praying for a pension. Referred to the Committee for Irish Affairs. [*Ibid.*]

April 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of George Cox, late master of the ship *Unicorn*, praying for the command of a man-of-war, he having expended his whole estate in his Majesty's service. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 216.]

April 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the Petition of Jahleel Brenton, praying to have the supplying of stores to ships ordered to New England. Referred to the Committee for Plantations. [*Ibid.*]

April 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Monsieur Rapin, praying payment of arrears due to his brother. Referred to William Harbord, esq. [*Ibid.*]

April 21. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of William Skeate, surgeon, stating that he served as surgeon-major in Col. Sydney's regiment of foot in Holland, but on Mr. Scott, the former surgeon, returning, the petitioner was discharged, and attended his Majesty into England, and is now, with his wife and five children, in poverty. Prays for means to carry him to Ireland. Referred to Viscount Sydney. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 217.]

April 21. Whitehall. Pass for Mr. Hugh Magill, his wife, sister, and two children, to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 149]; for John Ellis to go from London to Carnarvonshire [*Ibid.*, *p.* 150]; and for Mr. Richard Clarke to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 150.]

April 22. Zell. Sir William Dutton Colt to Mr. Warre. Just as I was in hopes to prevail with this Duke to send his troops to the Rhine, joined with those of Wolfenbüttle, the most unhappy death of the Duke of Lorraine spoils all again; for these princes will hardly be prevailed upon to send their troops where the Elector of Brandenburg has the command in chief. Letters from Saxe say that the Imperial minister there presses the march of their troops, but the Elector demands satisfaction first for his quarter of last year. Letters from France say that they demand of the Duke of Savoy the possession of the citadel of Turin and other fortresses to secure them in their neutrality, or they will enter his country with fire and sword. [*H.O. Regencies* 1, *p.* 248.]

April 22. London. News letter. Letters from Edinburgh of the 15th say that a man-of-war and two small vessels from London arrived at Leith with money, ammunition, and provisions for the Highland campaign. Parliament met on the 15th; little was done but calling over the rolls and giving the oath of allegiance to those who had not formerly

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taken it, viz.:—The Duke of Hamilton, the Duke of Queensberry, the Marquis of Atholl, Lord Breadalbane, Viscount Tarbat, &c., who likewise took the oath of Parliament.

Twenty provision ships under the convoy of three men-of-war arrived at Hoylake on Wednesday last, having left Belfast the day before. They saw Sir Cloudsley Shovell with about 12 men-of-war, fireships, and tenders steering towards Dublin Bay. They add that all our forces are landed, and 400 horse with some foot, went from Chester to Hoylake for recruits to embark there. Fifty sail of ships sailed from Milford Haven on the 14th under convoy of the *Ruby* and *Kingfisher* bound for Ireland with provisions. Col. Trelawny's regiment has gone from Barnstaple to Appledore to embark for Ireland.

A Spanish man-of-war has arrived at Plymouth with an Ambassador to congratulate the King and Queen on their accession to the throne. The *Coronation* has sailed thence with the ships bound for Portugal and West Indies. Six companies of the Earl of Monmouth's regiment came to Portsmouth from the Isle of Wight on Friday last. The same evening about thirty flyboats with hay, oats, and other provisions for Ireland, arrived at Cowes.

Letters from Ireland of the 14th say that our forces have built a fort on a hill near Charlemont and a party of Col. St. John's regiment are detached every day to keep the Irish within the garrison and to hinder relief going to them. Orders were given for blowing up the old fort of Lisburn on the 11th inst., but being wet, it was deferred till next day. Lieutenant-General Douglas has taken possession of Lord Kingston's regiment. There has arrived at Belfast 50,000*l.* for the army, and also a regiment of foot. The French have bribed some persons to blow up the magazine of Sluys by Niewport; they were within two hours of accomplishing it when the treachery was discovered. On Saturday evening the powder mill at Hackney blew up killing many persons. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 106, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 403.]

April 22. Report by Sir Charles Hedges to the King, on the petition of Gonsale De Tovar and Cosmo De Lue concerning the ship called the *Virgin*, taken by the frigates *Dartmouth* and *Advice*. [*H.O. Admiralty* 2, *p.* 43.]

April 22. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick to provide arms for the two marine regiments. *A list of the arms required follows.* [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 32.]

April 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of John Hodges, gentleman, showing that he introduced into Ireland a new invention for melting and refining lead ore with pit or sea coal, by which means the lead ore will be refined much cheaper than formerly, to the advantage of the subjects of the said kingdom of Ireland. Prays that he may have letters patent for the said invention, within the kingdom of Ireland, for 14 years. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 72.]

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April 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Charles Hanbury, showing that King James II. granted to Charles Clutterbuck and James Pawlet, a market to be held in a street called the Haymarket, on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday in every week, for 31 years, for buying and selling hay and straw, under the yearly rent of 6*s.* 8*d.*; that it appears by a subsequent patent, in November or December, 1687, for removing the said market from the Haymarket to Soho, that the said patent is entirely vested in the said James Pawlet, who is a professed papist; it is therefore in his Majesty, who may grant it to whom he please. The petitioner prays that he may have the benefit of the said market granted to him. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 72.]

April 22. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Nicholas Browne, a seaman, praying payment of his arrears. Referred to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*Ibid.* 2, *p.* 217.]

April 22. Kensington. Further reprieve for William Cuffe, clerk. [*S.P. Dom Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 221.]

April 22. Whitehall. Passes for Lodewick Van Annot to go to Holland; for Sybel Vander Hofstad, a Dutch soldier, ditto; and for Mademoiselle Keyser, ditto. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 151].

April 23. An account of what money is necessary to clear the pay due to certain regiments to the 1st January last. *Endorsed:* "The within paper, contaynes the account your Majestie was pleased to command last night." [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 27.]

April 23. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Ambrose Cogger showing that he is the inventor of the "Purging Bezor Cordial," known by its cures to be very useful. Prays that he may have letters patent to hinder other people from selling the same cordial. Referred to the Attorney or Solicitor General. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 73.]

April 23. Passes or post-warrants for Mary Perothrie to go to Flanders; for Arthur Arneale (*sic*) to go to Ireland, for John Thoquer to go to Holland; for Grietie Cornelisse, Aettie De Ury, Anna Lygen, and Magdelansie Joossen, Dutchwomen, with eight children, ditto; Jonathan Acton to go to Flanders [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 151]; for Sir William Russell and Thomas Smith to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; for Messrs. Richards (?), Rebondy, and Peltrean, ditto, for George Collings to go from London to Harwich and to return; and for Captain George Dunbar to go to Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 152.]

April 24. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Mayor of Exeter. Being informed that George Saffin a member of the chamber of your city, who did not take the oaths to their Majesties, whereby his office became forfeited, has continued to act in the same capacity without any opposition from the rest of the members of the chamber, so that, besides the disability, he has incurred the further penalties of the law, I thought fit to give you notice of it, desiring you to give me an account of this matter. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 315.]

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April 24. Whitehall. The same to Mr. Madrin. I have received your letter with the enclosed examination of the Welshmen, and the packet of letters which contain nothing of moment. [*H.O. Letter Book (Secretary's)* 1, *p.* 315].

April 24. Whitehall. The same to the Justices of the Peace for Lancashire. I am commanded to acquaint you that the King doubts not that you will remove William Tomlinson, keeper of the House of Correction for your county, who has not behaved himself. William Higginson is recommended in his place. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 316.]

April 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the ropemakers of Woolwich, praying that their grievances may be redressed. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 2, *p.* 217.]

April 24. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of the ropemakers, shipwrights, &c. of Woolwich, praying for their arrears of pay. Referred to the Commissioners of the Admiralty. [*Ibid.*]

April 24. Whitehall. Warrant for a charter of incorporation for the carpenters and joiners of Worcester. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 158.]

April 24. Whitehall. The heads of a charter for the same. [*Ibid.*]

April 24. Whitehall. Passes for Peter Anthony Broüille to go to Holland and to return [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 152]; for Arthur Smithe to go from London to Bedford; for Mr. William Basset, senior, and William Basset, junior, to go from London to the Isles of Scilly; for Jannetie Masshyesez and Mary Boes to go to Holland; for Michael Osber, ditto; for Martyntie Janse and Francois Van Tassenbeeck, ditto [*Ibid.*, *p.* 153]; for Alexander Vander Beecke, ditto; for Terenis Peiterse Vansergoudo and Gerrit Pieterse, ditto; for Peternel Gulicker and Mary Grees, ditto; for Mr. James Le Brun and Mr. Baltazar Dular, ditto; for Margareta Navar, ditto; and for Evers Vandestein and Maria Abers, ditto. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 154.]

April 25. Edinburgh. Sir Patrick Hume to the King, describing the state of the parties in Scotland. The House of Parliament is in two parties, the one, consisting of about 52 members called "Addressers" and 43 that joined not in that address. *Printed in full by Dalrymple.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 28.]

April 25. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Bencher, of the city of Oxford, showing that he served the late King Charles II. under the Duke of Albemarle at the time of his Majesty's happy restoration, and is now by age reduced to a low condition. Prays that he may be admitted as an almsman in the Cathedral of Christ Church. *Granted.* [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 73.]

April 25. Whitehall. Confirmation of the election by the Corporation of Wotton Basset of Mr. John Wilkyns, attorney-at-law, as town clerk of the same place void by the death of William Quinton. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 161.]

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April 25. Whitehall. Pardon for James Philip Bacourt *alias* James Philips, convicted for burglary and horse stealing at the assizes held at Chipping Wycombe, Bucks. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 162.]

April 25. Whitehall. Allowance of bill for stationery delivered to the Earl of Shrewsbury's office. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 163.]

April 25. Whitehall. Passes for Gerard Merchand to go to Holland [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 154]; for Estiennet Dimanche and a child, about 7 years of age, to go to France; for John Pattison to go to Scotland; for Maria Manshart, Tetie Stael, Lysbet Vanson and Cornelia Vanbag, Dutch women, with 4 children to go to Holland; for Mr. Charles Henrique Grisper to go from Dover to Flanders; for Mr. Jean Meyt, secretary, Richard Graham, gent., Mons. Du Bois, a cook, and a footman, servants to Baron de Frize, envoy from Saxony, to go to Holland; for Lord Dunbar, with Mr. Mark Breton, Thomas Allen, and Abraham Rains his servants, to go from London to his lordship's house in Holderness, Yorkshire, and to return; for Agnes Dellon, Lysbett Van Dalen, Magriet Terma, and Grietie Overs, Dutchwomen with 11 children to go from Harwich to Holland; for Mary Pieters and Arientie Dutchwomen, with 10 children to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland [*Ibid.*, *p.* 155]; and for Mr Walter Crosby, to go to Chester for Ireland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 221.]

April 26. Proposed form of the oath of allegiance to the King and Queen contained in the rejected Oaths Bill. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 14.]

April 26. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to the King. 3,000 or 4,000 horses are needed to draw the artillery sent here from Holland. I think you will find the principal opposition on the enemy's part at the river Boyne, which runs by Drogheda, and the best cannon should be placed there to facilitate the passage of the river; they should be there a little before your Majesty, with the officers who will command the artillery. Here there is only Ayleway, the Controller-General, who did not see last year's campaign and who is somewhat slow. I hear that about 12,000 of the enemy have appeared in the neighbourhood of Kells, so I have strengthened our force at Belturbet.

The enemy do their best to get necessaries into Charlemont. There entered there, two days ago, 600 men to relieve the garrison, but before sending away those who were there they attempted to blow up the quarter of the town where Mons. La Caillemote had put 150 men in two or three houses "qu'on appelle des quakers," a mile and a half away. As the regiment was fatigued I had sent, two days before, a detachment of 60 men from an English regiment. The enemy finding themselves incommoded by the nearness of our men determined on an attack. Our officers, finding this, retired into two of the principal houses. The enemy made a very obstinate attack upon them there, but they were repulsed. The English have done very well there. On our side, two soldiers and a French captain were killed and some men were wounded. The enemy also sustained some loss. Details of subsequent encounters with the enemy before Charlemont, in which Baron de Dauejan,

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lieut.-colonel of Cambon's regiment, engaged. If the cannon arrive before your Majesty, I hope you will approve of our attacking this place.

The regiments of Babington, Lloyd, and Cutts have arrived; the last has brought some recruits for Dering's regiment. Lieutenant-General Douglas, having the first choice, has chosen 115 not wishing to take the number given in your despatch. Afterwards Dering divided the rest with one of Douglas' officers who did not care to have them. I was obliged to tell him that, since it was your order and as there was not time to send to England [for another] as he wished, he must have them. He is a little offended. I can see he will be difficult to please. About a twentieth of the recruits are sent to the hospital by the Commissioners, being ill and lame. No recruits have arrived for the cavalry, the horses are put out to grass as there is no fodder.

In my last, I mentioned that if you resolve to march by way of Armagh and Newry, it would be well to send on provisions and corn, necessary for the journey; that will lighten the waggons which will have enough to carry without those things. I have given orders that beer should be brewed and have everywhere forbidden any to be sold that is not 12 days old, in order that the soldiers may not fall sick. [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 29.]

April 26. Whitehall. The Earl of Shrewsbury to the Lords of the Admiralty. Directing them to give protection against being pressed to Nathaniel Young, engaged on the King's service. [*H.O. Admiralty* 3, *p.* 35.]

April 26. Whitehall. The same to the Lords of the Admiralty. I herewith send your lordships a copy of an information, taken at my office this morning, against Capt. Ridley, commander of the *Edgar*, but know not whether a prosecution of him will be ordered; yet it is necessary you should have notice of the matter. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 36.]

April 26. Whitehall. The same to the Justices of the Peace for Lancashire The King, having received information that a great number of Irish papists, many of whom were soldiers in King James' army, are privately entertained by papists in the county of Lancaster, with design to watch their opportunity to disturb the peace, commands you to make search for and secure all such papists till his further directions. A like letter sent to the deputy-lieutenants of Lancashire. [*H.O. Letter Book* (*Secretary's*) 1, *p.* 316.]

April 26. Whitehall. The same to Col. Matthews. The letter you sent me and which I received from Col. Rawston, Mr. Rigby and Mr. Patten, was laid before his Majesty at the last Council, where it was directed that I should write the enclosed letters to the deputy-lieutenants and justices of the peace for that county, recommending them to search for the Irish throughout the county. The King is satisfied that it will be inconvenient to continue those people in the county and it is being considered what is the best place to remove them to. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 316.]

April 26. Whitehall. The same to the Mayor of Newark. Understanding that James Hickson is secured at Newark on suspicion, and having been acquainted with his journey, I desire you will order his discharge. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 317.]

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April 26. Whitehall. Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Lock, showing that he served King Charles II. in several ships at sea and lost his right arm in the service, &c. Prays for a poor almsman's place in the Cathedral of Christ Church, Oxford. Granted. [*S.P. Dom. Petition Entry Book* 1, *p.* 74.]

April 26. Whitehall. Passes for Jannetie Maertans to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Mons. Brisac ditto; for Guiel. Deleneau and Fratio, ditto [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 156]; for Philip Shawler to go from Chester, Liverpool, or Hoylake to Ireland; for Sarah Coymans, Jannetie Jans, Mary Jans, and Mary Willems, Dutchwomen, with 3 children to go from Harwich, or the river, to Holland; for Catharina Smits, ditto; for Aeltie Ury, and Anne Sygen, Dutchwomen with 4 children, ditto; for Geertrugh. Vandalen, Geertrught Bainens, Catherine Oliver, and Mary Lely, Dutchwomen, with 5 children, ditto, and for William Lorraine to go from Chester, Liverpool, Whitehaven, or Hoylake to Ireland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 157.]

April 27. London. News letter. On the 18th instant all the soldiers of Major-General Trelawny's and Col. Luttrell's regiments, and all that were at Bideford Appledore, and those ports, sailed for Ireland. All the ships that sailed from the Downs for Ireland on Saturday last were forced back again on the 21st instant by contrary winds. The same day 60 Frenchmen, taken out of a privateer by the *Foresight*, were brought on shore at Deal and sent prisoners to Dover. Large quantities of biscuit have been sent to Greenock for the use of the forces going to the Isle of Mull. About 40 of their soldiers met with a party of Highlanders, who cut off 27 of them.

The particulars as to the attempt to surprise Sluys are that the French corrupted the Governor who was to receive a large sum of money on the delivery of the place; to effect which, six pretended French deserters came into the town who were to fire the magazine and, whilst the garrison was in confusion, a body of men, by shipping that was made ready at Dunkirk, were to come and attack the place. The Duke of Brandenburg has promised to raise 4,000 men to be added to his troops for the service of the Confederates and has assured the Duke of Saxony that he would not send any of his forces to oppose him in the pretensions he has upon Saxe Lauenburg.

Letters from Holland say that some officers belonging to the garrisons of Maestricht, Breda, and Bergen Op Zoom had, by orders from the States, been taken into custody for holding correspondence with France, upon which an order is made that no soldier shall remain in quarters above three months. It has been reported that the office of Lord High Admiral of England was to be executed by Commissioners, viz. Lord Pembroke, the Duke of Grafton, the Earl of Monmouth and Sir R. Haddock.

Yesterday the King gave his assent to the following bills amongst others:—to supply a defect in an Act of the last Parliament for the sale and leasing of a house, late Secretary Coventry's, in Piccadilly; to enable John Woolstenholme, esq., to sell lands to pay debts; and one to declare illegitimate any child or children that Jane the wife of John Lewekner, esq., has had or shall have during

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her elopement from him. [*Greenwich Hospital News Letters* 3, *No.* 107, *and Greenwich Hospital News Letter Entry Book* 2, *p.* 405.]

April 27. Whitehall. Passes for Robert Smith and William Blessington, servants to Lord Thomas Howard, to go from Dover to Flanders; for Andries Gennet to go to Holland; for Jannetie Graef, ditto; and for Odo Pemier, ditto. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 160.]

April 29. Faversham. William Amis and John Baker, churchwardens of Faversham, to Mr. Vernon. We have received a letter from Mr. Davies, the messenger, that Mr. Gamlin, once minister here, has not appeared before you. He is in London and gives great encouragement here to those that have upheld him against the present Government, saying that he has great friends in London and doubts not but that he will come down in great splendour in a short time. When he read the news letter concerning the fast to be kept he said "Just soe that rogue Oliver did when he had any rogery to doe; then he called a fast." [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary, No.* 15.]

April 29. Edinburgh. Sir Patrick Hume to the King. I have written to Lord Portland what passed in Parliament last diet. This is to show you that the delay of abrogating the Committee of Articles, complained of in the grievances, is taken advantage of by our opposites in Parliament, to hinder and obstruct what will make way to the Money Act, and, if possible, to delay the Act itself, till the time be past, so that it may be of little significancy. If this were out of the way, I cannot see where they would find a mask to cover them. Therefore I wish it would please you to order your Commissioner to abrogate that Committee, and to let an Act for settling Committees of Parliament lie over a while till the church be settled, the supply appointed, and the forfeitures reduced, for I can assure you, if these things were done — which some study to persuade the members will never be done, and are not intended—it will be impossible for the devil and ill men to hinder and restrain this honest people, being once undeceived and disabused, to do for and yield to you all you will ever require; but be this as it will, if the articles were abrogated, there can be no danger to your Majesty by the law regulating Committees not being settled very soon; for it is evident, it will be quickly found by Parliament, that it is greatly to their interest that it be not long undone, so that what now, by being deluded and imposed upon, they slight and shun, they will in a short time intreat and beg of you. Therefore I pray you will abrogate that Committee of Articles forthwith. *Seal of arms.* [*S.P. Dom. King William's Chest* 7, *No.* 30.]

April 29. Whitehall. Passes for Grace Fulham and three children and Penelope Acklam and four children to go to Carnarvon; for the Marquis de Torreclusa, the Marquis de Castel Moncayo, the Marquis d'Arcelles, Don Inigo d'Aqurto, Don Pedro Jacinto, Don Pedro de Aguire, Don Miguel de Satrustegui, Don Juan de Requiman, Don Assensio Mocha and Don Diego Cartieu and seven servants to go to Dover and into Flanders; and for Louis de Watteville to go to Harwich for Holland. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 222.]

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April 30. Whitehall. Warrant for the presentation of James Wild, clerk, to the rectory of Tempsford in the county of Bedford, void by the promotion of John Hough, D.D., late incumbent thereof, to the bishopric of Oxford. [*H.O. Church Book* 1, *p.* 51.]

April 30. Whitehall. Warrant to the Commissioners of the Great Seal for Ireland for a grant to Andrew Hamilton, clerk, of a house "belonging to Cuchonaght McGuire, of Tyllewele, together with the lands thereunto appertaining, lying near Enniskillen, the same being not worth above 20*l.* per annum and now waste by reason of the said McGuire being now in arms and actual rebellion against us," in consideration that the said Hamilton's dwelling-house, and the other houses which he had in Ireland, were all burnt by order of the Duke of Berwick. [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 224.]

April 30. Whitehall. Warrant to Sir Henry Goodrick to supply arms from the office of the Ordnance, together with 160 collars or bandoliers, 53 long pikes, 6 drums, and 9 halberds for the Earl of Monmouth's regiment of foot, taking the old arms of the regiment in exchange. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 2, *p.* 103.]

April 30. Passes for Adrian Biejickamp, a Dutchman, to go to Harwich for Holland; for Giles Du Chateau and Henry Marquot to go to Gravesend for Flanders [*S.P. Dom. Warrant Book* 35, *p.* 222]; for Ellen de Belleaucour, a Frenchwoman, to go to France; and for George Burnham, a soldier, to go to Harwich for Holland. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 223.]

April. Miscellaneous memoranda concerning proceedings of Parliament principally from the journals. [*S.P. Dom. Will. & Mary* 3, *No.* 16.]

April and May. An account of the 2*s.* and 12*d.* tax and the poll money, &c., raised in the North Division of Aylesford, Kent. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 17.]

[April.] The King's approval of Sir Peter Tyrell, bart., John Whitwong and Charles Stafford, esq., as deputy-lieutenants for Bucks. [*H.O. Warrant Book* 5, *p.* 145.]

April. Whitehall. Blank warrant delivered to Lord Lovelace to apprehend certain persons for treasonable practices. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 148.]

April. Whitehall. Warrant to Dr. Hutton to inspect the hospitals, and to enquire into the qualification of all who pretend to the employment of physicians, surgeons and apothecaries, and to see that all care is taken of the sick and wounded, and that all necessary medicines, nursing and attendance are provided, and to reform and amend what is found amiss and defective. [*H.O. Military Entry Book* 3, *p.* 29.]

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1689. July 14. Rules and Articles for the better government of their Majesties' land forces in Ireland. 32 *pp., printed.* [*S.P. Ireland* 352, *No.* 7.]

1689–90. Feb. 8. Lisburn. The Duke of Schomberg to [the Earl of Shrewsbury]. Mr. Alexander Delgarno was made chaplain to Lord Delamere's late regiment, now Colonel Russell's, at the request of the Lieutenant-Colonel, the former chaplain, Mr. Barkerfield, being dead, and the regiment in want of a fit person to execute that employment. Since that time, the King's commission has arrived for Mr. Ecclin to succeed the said Mr. Barkerfield, upon the presumption, I suppose, of the regiment not being supplied. I desire you will inform his Majesty of the matter, and send directions in the matter. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 21.]

1689. Feb. 17. Lisburn. The same to the same. The bearer, Mr. Robert King, came lately from Dublin at the hazard of his life, and has given full information concerning the enemy, and frequently sent the like to the protestants of Ulster whilst he was in Dublin, and met with hardships on that account; I have a very good character of him from the gentlemen of this country, and so recommend him as a fit person to serve in some civil employment. *Seal broken.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 22.]

March 1. Lisburn. The same to the same. I have employed Doctor Georges, for some months past, in and about the civil concerns of this country, and have had such satisfaction of his ability for the discharge of that trust that I recommend him, and his enclosed petition, to your favour. *Petition wanting. Seal broken.* [*Ibid.*, *No.* 23.]

March 21. Clonish. Col. Gustavus Hamilton to [the same]. I came to this frontier some ten days before Colonel Owsley's second attack on Cavan; I doubt not but you had a full account of the first. They began the second with the surprise of the enemy's vanguard, at a place called Butlers Newton [Newtown Butler]; they killed twenty and took sixteen prisoners. From thence they marched straight to Cavan. Upon their first appearance, the enemy retired into the fort, townhouse, and church, and defended them, but suffered the rest of the town to be burnt. Since that, all their horse and dragoons have retired towards Dublin, having neither forage or grass upon their frontiers, and only Colonel Orelie's (?) regiment, with a detachment of 100 men, are left to garrison Cavan, Ballinacorgy (?) Tullyben (?); the two latter, Colonel Owsley and I design to attack when the weather will permit, they being only gentlemen's houses with

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bare walls about them. The enemy have, within these few days, deserted four passes they had upon a river between this and Castle Blayney, at each of which were two companies of Colonel Arthur McMahon's regiment, who have all retired now into Castle Blayney, where are also Colonel Gordon O'Neal's and Sir Maurice Eustace's regiments, but have never attempted anything more than stealing a little meal into Charlemont, their only garrison in Ulster.

Whatever design the enemy might have had, a month or six weeks ago, of forcing our frontiers, I am very confident they are off the thoughts of it now, for I am assured, by several spies I have had amongst them, that the landing of the Danes, and the dread of King William's coming over in person, has mightily dejected them; besides, they do not seem to have that dependence upon succours from France now, that they lately boasted of. Most of their cattle are starved because of the excessive number they drove out of this country, grass being almost as scarce a commodity amongst them as salt; but all their horse and dragoons, which are quartered beyond Dublin, are in good order. They have repaired two forts, and built a third in Sligo, designing to make a head there, but I doubt not that the General will take such measures that that place shall be soon recovered, it being of great importance, the reducing of almost four counties depending wholly upon it. [*S.P. Ireland*, 352, *No.* 24.]

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March 23. Lisburn.

The Duke of Schomberg to the Earl of Shrewsbury. I have received your letters of the 11th and 13th instant. Captain Shales has the perusal of all his papers, and is not in any way hindered from making up his accounts; his indisposition has hitherto prevented his being sent over in custody, which shall be done as soon as he is in a fit condition. As Mr. Tilly is a stranger to me, I have nothing to accuse him of; but Sir John Lanier, in whose regiment he served in France, informed me of his having changed his religion there, and had no sooner come over when he reported false news of the enemy intending, with a great body of men, to fall upon this army. He was likewise disapproved of by Monsieur Scravenmoer himself, and was not thought fit to occupy the station he came over to be employed in. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 25.]

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April 29. Lisburn.

The same to the same. I have received your letter touching Monsieur Adam Malafosse, whom I had given directions to be posted as reformed lieutenant in Colonel Du Cambon's regiment, and pursuant to your desire, signifying it to be his Majesty's pleasure, have given him a passport, and such sum of money as I thought sufficient for defraying his charges to London. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 26.]

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P. 40, line 18, for "No. 2" *read* "No. 3."

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P. 122, *line* 29, for "No. 2" *read* "No. 3."

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